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## DNA Hit on Ski Mask Leads to Prison after Robbery of Store Clerk



**ALBANY, NY** – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that LACEDRIC GRIFFIN, 32, of Albany, was sentenced to 15 years in State Prison to be followed by 5 years of post-release supervision yesterday before the Hon. Judge Teresi in Albany County Court.

On May 3, 2012 GRIFFIN was found guilty after jury trial of (1) Count of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Violent Felony.

On April 9, 2011 at around 10:50pm GRIFFIN ad an un-known co-defendant forcibly stole \$350 from a victim at the Yemen Grocery Store on Quail Street in the City of Albany. The victim was working as a clerk behind the counter at the store, and was able to grab a ski mask off of GRIFFIN during the attack. The ski mask was later tested at the New York State Police Forensic Crime Lab and was found to contain GRIFFIN's DNA. GRIFFIN's DNA had been in the database for a previous felony conviction.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Brian Conley of the Major Offenses Unit.

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