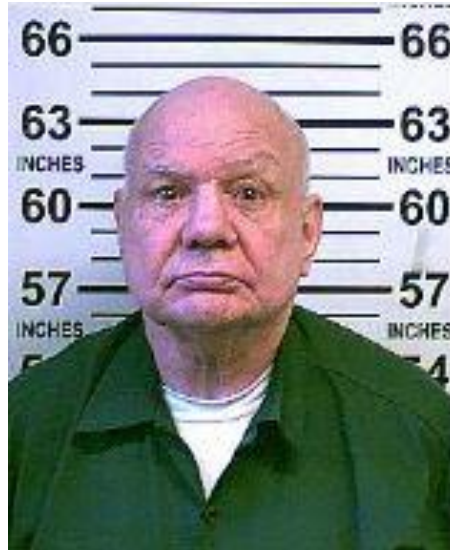




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Sentencing in Stolen Property Case



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that ROBERT HOAG, 75, of Albany, was sentenced to 1 ½ to 3 years in State Prison, before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court this morning.

Additionally, HOAG will have to pay approximately \$500 in restitution to be paid to Victory Church.

On April 12, 2019, HOAG pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Fourth Degree, a Class E Felony.

On February 10, 2019, officers of the Colonie Police Department began an investigation after approximately \$1,600.00 was reported stolen from Victory Church in the Town of Colonie. On February 11, 2019, officers of the Colonie Police Department discovered HOAG to be in possession of most of the stolen funds, some of which were still contained in the church's envelope. HOAG was wearing the same clothes from the date of the incident and upon reviewing video surveillance of the incident admitted to possessing the stolen property.

This is HOAG's third criminal conviction related to stolen property from a church in the Albany County area.

Assistant District Attorney Collin D'Arcy handled the prosecution of this case.

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