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### **Jury Convicts Devin Anderson of Aggravated Robbery for “Bank Juggling”**

(Austin) On November 20, 2019, a Travis County jury convicted Devin Anderson of Aggravated Robbery in 167<sup>th</sup> District Court. Authorities say Anderson had been involved in a series of “bank juggling” robberies.

What is bank juggling? According to police, suspects will watch people walk out of banks carrying bank bags or envelopes with money and follow them to their cars to burglarize or rob them.

On April 20, 2018, Anderson followed the victim from a bank at Capital Plaza to the restaurant she manages at the Linc shopping center on North Interstate 35. After parking her car at work, the woman says Anderson approached her with a handgun and demanded she give him the bank bag which contained over eight-hundred dollars.

At the trial, the State presented evidence that Anderson was on an ankle monitor at the time of the robbery. GPS data placed him at Chase Bank and near the location of the robbery, at the time of the crime. And surveillance video showed Anderson’s car at the location of the robbery, at the time of the crime. Approximately two hours after the robbery, Anderson posted on Facebook and implicated himself in the offense.

After Anderson was found guilty by a Travis County jury, he agreed to a 20-year prison sentence. He also pled guilty to a similar aggravated robbery in April of last year and accepted a concurrent 20-year sentence on that case. As a condition of the agreed sentences, Anderson waived his right to appeal. The case was tried by Assistant District Attorneys Joshua Somers and Laurie Drymalla.

“We are happy to see that this man was held responsible for his conduct and hope that his sentence serves a warning to others who engage in this sort of criminal activity,” Somers said after Anderson’s conviction. Bank juggling is seeing a resurgence as a crime trend and customers need to be aware of their surroundings when exiting banks.

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