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Man Pleads Guilty in Multiple Robberies

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that Jalen Anthony Ollivierre, 21, pled guilty on March 13, 2017, to two counts (each) of armed robbery and possessing a weapon during a violent crime. The Honorable Robin J. Stilwell sentenced Ollivierre to twelve years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections.

Evidence presented at the hearing by Assistant Solicitor Allen Fretwell established that shortly before 1:00 am on December 29, 2014, Ollivierre entered the Palms 7-11 convenience store on Wade Hampton Blvd in Greenville County to act as a lookout for his accomplice who entered a few minutes later. The gunman, wearing a mask and displaying an Uzi-style automatic handgun with a long or extended magazine, demanded and received \$100 in cash and two cartons of Newport cigarettes from the clerk Charles Ramey. While the gunman was finishing the robbery, Ollivierre left the store and headed in the direction from which he and the gunman had originally come. Ollivierre started his gold Ford Explorer and backed up—waiting on the robber to exit the store. An exterior camera captured the masked gunman fleeing the store and running towards Wade Hampton Boulevard. The Explorer pulled forward and followed the gunman before picking him up on Wade Hampton and racing off in the direction of the City of Greer.

According to Fretwell, two days later, on December 31, 2014, Ollivierre entered the Reboot electronics boutique on Wade Hampton Blvd in the City of Greenville, wearing a mask and gloves,

and armed with an Uzi-style automatic handgun with a long or extended magazine. Fretwell told the Court that Ollivierre demanded and received approximately \$1,130 in cash from store employee Jonathan Field and stole an iPhone 6 from the a display case before fleeing the store.

Fretwell also stated that the joint police investigation between the Greenville County Sheriff's Office and the Greenville Police Department revealed that Brandon Santiago-Chenet, who rode with Ollivierre in his gold Ford Explorer to Reboot, had entered the store approximately fifteen minutes earlier, for the apparent purpose of casing the store in preparation for the robbery. Santiago-Chenet then returned to Ollivierre's gold Explorer where he entered the passenger's side and slid over to the driver's seat to act as the getaway driver. Santiago-Chenet eventually told authorities he knew the robbery was going to take place before Ollivierre entered the store and that Ollivierre was wearing the black mask over his head when he returned with the Uzi-style handgun and a large sum of cash. Santiago-Chenet drove the Explorer out of the parking lot in a manner that attracted the attention of a motorist who provided a partial tag to police—leading to the location of the vehicle and its driver, Ollivierre.