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Press Release

Former employee gets 12-15 years for Masked Armed Robbery in Dedham

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Five years to the day after the armed robbery of the Costco on Rte. 1 in Dedham, a former employee has been sentenced to 12 to 15 years in State Prison for his part in the crime, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey.

McShevens Pierre-Louis, age 28, of Brockton, was found guilty of armed and masked robbery following a 2-week jury trial in Norfolk Superior Court.

"Pierre-Louis and at least two accomplices, masked and dressed head-to-toe in black, ambushed the employees closing the store for the night, terrorized them at gunpoint and made away with more than \$50,000 in cash and jewelry," District Attorney Morrissey said. "As they fled the parking lot, they left behind two of the black shirts they had worn. Although it took some time, the crime lab was able to develop a DNA profile from genetic material collected from one of the shirts. That profile matched Pierre-Louis."

Pierre-Louis had worked at the Costco for two years, and was presumably aware of closing procedures and the locations of assets within the store, when he was fired in February 2008. The robbery was May 28, 2008.

"This was a strong circumstantial case, and Assistant District Attorney Phil Burr did an excellent job tying the pieces together into a narrative that persuaded the jury," District Attorney Morrissey said.

ADA Burr asked Judge Elizabeth Fahey to sentence Pierre-Louis to 15 to 20 years in State Prison. "We are very pleased with Judge Fahey's sentence of 12 to 15 years, given the sentencing guidelines and the terrifying nature of the crime," District Attorney Morrissey said. "We thank the two employees who, despite what they endured that night and the lasting impact of that on their lives, demonstrated great courage in testifying at trial."