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ESPANOLA, N.M., MAN TO SERVE TEN YEARS PRISON FOR FEDERAL BANK ROBBERY CONVICTION

ALBUQUERQUE – This morning a federal judge in Albuquerque, N.M., sentenced **James Aley White**, 31, of Espanola, N.M., to a 120-month term of imprisonment for his bank robbery conviction. White will be on supervised release for three years after he completes his prison sentence. White also was ordered to pay full restitution to the bank that was the victim of his crime.

U.S. Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales said that, on November 15, 2011, White pled guilty to robbing the Bank of America (Bank) located at 8040 Academy Rd, NE, in Albuquerque on August 19, 2011.

According to court filings, the Bank was robbed on August 19, 2011, by a man who walked into the bank, handed the teller a social security check and said he needed to withdraw cash. Along with the social security check, the bank robber handed the teller a note that read, "No-Noise-all money in drawer- Don't Stall-Gun." After the bank teller provided cash to the robber, he walked away with the cash, leaving behind the social security check and demand note. The FBI traced the social security check to an individual who identified White as the bank robber in a photograph taken by a surveillance camera in the Bank. After a second person identified White as the bank robber in the surveillance photograph, the FBI arrested White on August 26, 2011. White has been in federal custody since that time.

The case was investigated by the FBI and Albuquerque Police Department, and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles L. Barth.

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