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RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN, United States Attorney, Northern District of New York, announced that a Syracuse area man has pled guilty to two bank robberies.

DAVID TRAVERS, 23, of Syracuse, pled guilty to robbing the Alliance Bank branch at 1001 James Street on December 13 and the M&T Bank branch at 4726 Onondaga Boulevard on December 19, 2011. In both robberies, TRAVERS wore a mask covering the bottom half of his face and handed the tellers a note demanding money. No weapon was displayed or threatened. He made off with \$1,850 from Alliance Bank and \$629 from the M&T Bank. Clothing left behind by Travers following the Alliance Bank robbery was linked to him by DNA analysis conducted by the Wallie Howard Center for Forensic Sciences.

TRAVERS faces a maximum penalty of 20 years imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000 on each count. United States District Court Judge Norman A. Mordue scheduled sentencing for April 29, 2013 at 10:00 am in Syracuse.

The case was investigated by the Syracuse Police Department and Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Edward R. Broton.