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Stanislaus County Cases
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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that **Leobardo Ramos**, age 23, of Turlock, was convicted on February 7, 2014 of two counts of robbery, both while using a firearm, and two counts of attempted robbery. All four counts are future strikes for Ramos under California's "Three Strikes" law. Deputy District Attorney John Goulart prosecuted the case for the People.

On November 22, 2011, Ramos entered AJ's Market located on Coffee Road in Modesto and at gunpoint robbed the owner of the store who placed cash from the cash register in a black, plastic bag and handed it to Ramos. Approximately an hour and a half later, Ramos entered the Little Caesar's Pizza restaurant located on Standiford Avenue in Modesto. Wearing the same clothing he wore in the AJ's robbery, and once again using a gun, he robbed the clerk and put the money in a black plastic bag which matched the bag he'd been given in the AJ's robbery.

On December 21, 2011, Ramos entered the Circle T Market located on Terminal Avenue in Riverbank, pointed a rifle at the store clerk, Tallal Nasser, and demanded money. Tallal's father, Amin Nasser, approached Ramos, disarmed him and wrestled him to the ground. The Nassers then held Ramos at gunpoint until deputies from the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office arrived and arrested Ramos. Prior to the arrival of the deputies, Ramos admitted to the Nassers that he had committed the robbery of AJ's Market. Ramos has remained in custody since this December 21, 2011 arrest.

After Ramos entered a no contest plea, Judge Linda McFadden sentenced Ramos to a total of 20 years and 8 months in state prison. Ramos still faces three counts of robbery in Merced County arising from three robberies occurring in Atwater between December 1 and December 15 of 2011.

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