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ELGIN MAN SENT TO PRISON FOR JULY ROBBERY

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An Elgin man has pleaded guilty to robbing a man in July.

Jesus K. Martinez, 22 (d.o.b. 7-15-1990) of the 300 block of Orchard Street, Elgin, on Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2012, agreed with the Kane County State's Attorney to a sentence of 10 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to one count of aggravated robbery.

Associate Judge Marmarie J. Kostelny accepted the plea.

At about 2 p.m. July 23, 2012, Martinez approached the victim in the 500 block of North McLean Boulevard, told the victim he was in possession of stolen merchandise and asked the victim if he was interested in buying it. The victim drove Martinez to a location near South State and Morgan streets. The men exited the victim's vehicle and went into a nearby apartment building. Inside, Martinez took out what appeared to be a handgun, pointed it at the victim and demanded money. The victim gave Martinez approximately \$860 in cash and checks. Martinez fled on foot. The victim called 911 and provided a description of Martinez, who was taken into custody within minutes.

At the time of the robbery, Martinez was on parole for a 2011 theft conviction.

According to Illinois law, Martinez is eligible for day-for-day sentencing. Martinez was given credit for at least 59 days served in the Kane County jail, where he had been held since his arrest in lieu of \$400,000 bail.

The case was prosecuted by Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Danielle Bechtold.

"Our thanks to Elgin Police Investigator Scott St. John for his outstanding work in this case," Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon said.