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Arrestment Held for “Bank Juggling” Theft Group Charged with Robbery
Case #: 2022031694

VENTURA, Calif. - District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced that three men have been charged with robbery for their alleged role in a “Bank Juggling” incident.

Caballero Oscar Ivan Arias (DOB 07/02/90), from Colombia, Roberto Atilano Del Rio (DOB 03/28/77), of Mexico, and Jordan Stiven Puentes Tunajano (DOB 05/25/91), from Colombia, pled not guilty to violating Penal Code section 211 (robbery). The three defendants are believed to be members of an International Theft Group.

On September 23, 2022, the three defendants are accused of “Bank Juggling.” This crime involves staking out potential victims in bank parking lots and then following them to their next destination to rob them. The defendants allegedly robbed a couple who had just withdrawn thousands of dollars from a Wells Fargo Bank branch in Newbury Park. The victims reported the crime to the Ventura County Sheriff’s Office and after an extensive investigation, all three men were arrested.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Brandon Ross is the Ventura County District Attorney’s Office prosecutor who is assigned to International and South American Theft Group cases.

All three defendants are in custody on \$200,000 bail. An early disposition conference is scheduled for December 19, 2022, and a preliminary hearing is set for December 21, 2022, in the Ventura County Superior Court.