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**QUENTIN LASHAWN COVINGTON CONVICTED AFTER STEALING MORE THAN \$35,000  
FROM BEAUTY SUPPLY BUSINESSES**

HILLSBORO, Ore.- On September 27, 2021, Quentin Lashawn Covington pleaded guilty to first-degree aggravated theft and was sentenced to 26 months in prison by Judge Chris Colburn. Deputy District Attorney David Pitcher prosecuted the case against the defendant.

The defendant stole more than \$35,000 in merchandise between October of 2020 and June of 2021 from multiple locations of a well-known beauty supply company across the Portland Metro area.

On sixteen separate occasions, the defendant carried out essentially the same plan. He would enter the store and immediately start loading a bag or basket with expensive perfume and cologne. As evidenced in surveillance camera footage from multiple locations, the defendant would then brazenly exit the store with the merchandise. In most cases, the defendant was in and out of the store in less than two minutes.

Detectives with the Tigard Police Department investigated the case. They worked with other jurisdictions including the Portland Police Bureau to ultimately identify the defendant as the suspect in the case, as some of the thefts were committed in the city of Portland, Oregon. A Washington County grand jury then indicted the defendant leading to a warrant for his arrest.

This office would like to acknowledge the Tigard Police Department and Portland Police Bureau for their work in identifying Mr. Covington based on review of the surveillance footage.

In addition to his prison time, Judge Colburn also ordered the defendant to pay more than \$35,000 in restitution and ordered him to stay away from the businesses he targeted upon his release.