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KC MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO BANK ROBBERY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City man pleaded guilty in federal court today to robbing a bank in Raytown, Mo.

Troy A. Taylor, 32, of Kansas City, Mo., pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Howard F. Sachs this morning to robbing the Bank of America, located at 10100 East 350 Highway in Raytown, Mo.

By pleading guilty, **Taylor** admitted that he took \$3,124 by force or intimidation from tellers at the bank on July 11, 2003.

Taylor was originally charged with robbing the bank in a criminal complaint filed on July 14, 2003, in Kansas City. The complaint was later replaced by an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on July 22, 2003, in Kansas City.

According to an affidavit filed in support of the criminal complaint, **Taylor** walked into the bank at approximately 9 a.m., wearing a dark long-sleeved shirt, dark sweat pants, black gloves and a tight black ski mask. He approached a teller and said “give me all your money, hurry,” the affidavit states. Once receiving approximately \$3,000, he left the bank.

Witnesses observed **Taylor** leave the bank. Later in the day, law enforcement officers located a vehicle that matched a description given by witnesses as the automobile **Taylor** used to flee the scene. The discovery of the vehicle led to **Taylor’s** arrest. At the time of his arrest, law enforcement officers discovered \$2,205 in his possession. A search of his vehicle also revealed a Bank of America deposit slip in the amount of \$805, dated July 11, 2003, the same day as the robbery.

As a result of pleading guilty, **Taylor** may be subject to a sentence of up to 20 years in federal prison without parole. His sentence will be determined according to the United States

Sentencing Guidelines. A sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of a presentence investigation by the United States Probation Office.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Curt Bohling. The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at
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