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## St. Croix Man Will Spend Four Years In Federal Prison For Involvement In St. Thomas Jewelry Store Heist

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ST. THOMAS -- On May 10, 2018, District Court Judge Curtis V. Gomez sentenced Robert Brown, 28, to 4 years imprisonment and three years of supervised release, for conspiracy to commit Hobbs Act robbery, United States Attorney Gretchen C.F. Shappert announced. Judge Gomez also ordered Brown to perform 400 hours of community service and pay a special assessment of \$100.

On January 4, 2018, Brown pleaded guilty to a one-count Information, charging him with conspiracy to commit Hobbs Act robbery.

On October 20, 2017, Brown was charged in a one-count Information, which was a result of an investigation into Hobbs Act robbery of Gems and Gold Corner Jewelry Store on St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands on September 16, 2013. According to the Information, Brown and other individuals conspired to rob this jewelry store and brandished weapons to threaten and intimidate the store owner.

This case is a result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Virgin Islands Police Department. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Anna A. Vlasova and Kim L. Chisholm.

*Feature Image: Example of a jewelry store (not the store involved in the robbery).*

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