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## Former Ranger American Security Employee Sentenced to 21 Months for Stealing \$70,000 from Banco Popular ATM

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ST. THOMAS — Clement Bougouneau, 52, of St. Thomas, was sentenced Thursday, November 21 for bank burglary and larceny, United States Attorney Gretchen C.F. Shappert announced.

District Court Judge Curtis V. Gomez sentenced Bougouneau to 21 months' imprisonment, followed by a three-year term of supervised release and 300 hours of community service. Bougouneau must also pay \$70,000 in restitution.

According to trial testimony, on September 4, 2017, shortly before Hurricane Irma made landfall, Bougouneau used his access and inside knowledge as a twelve-year Ranger American employee to steal \$70,000 from the St. John Banco Popular de Puerto Rico ATM. Video tapes presented in

the courtroom showed live footage of Bougouneau removing cash from the ATM machine on September 4 . Another video showed Bougouneau's subsequent interview with law enforcement, where he provided several different explanations of the events surrounding the September 4 heist.

This case was investigated by the Virgin Islands Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Meredith Edwards.

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