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Westbrook Man Sentenced for Bank Robbery

Portland, Maine: United States Attorney Paula D. Silsby announced that on June 27, 2008, Judge D. Brock Hornby of the Federal District Court in Portland sentenced **Charles Michael Limanni**, 36, of Westbrook to 139 months of imprisonment for the November 2007 robbery of a TD Banknorth branch in Portland, Maine. Limanni was also ordered to serve three years of supervised release following his prison term, and ordered to make restitution to the bank. Limanni pled guilty on March 14, 2008, to an indictment charging him with the robbery.

According to court records, on November 16, 2007, Limanni entered the bank and handed a bank teller a note that read "I have a gun, give me all money". The teller collected approximately \$5,942 from her drawer and gave it to Limanni, who then left the bank. Subsequently, the Portland Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation conducted an investigation into the robbery, which resulted in Limanni's arrest a few days later.

United States Attorney Silsby praised the investigative work conducted by the Portland Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. She noted the effect that this kind of crime has on innocent bank employees and said that the lengthy sentence imposed by Judge Hornby reflected the seriousness of Limanni's criminal conduct.