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ALBUQUERQUE WOMAN SENTENCED TO PRISON
FOR ROBBING TWO BANKS IN MAY 2011

ALBUQUERQUE – This morning in federal court, Laura Galloway Brooks, 27, of Albuquerque, was sentenced to a 20-month term of imprisonment for her bank robbery conviction. Brooks will be on supervised release for three years after completing her prison sentence. Brooks also is required to pay full restitution to the victims of her criminal conduct.

U.S. Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales said that, on Feb. 16, 2012, Brooks pled guilty to robbing two Albuquerque-area banks on May 19, 2011. She first robbed the Sandia Laboratory Federal Credit Union located at 3707 Juan Tabo Blvd. NE, and shortly thereafter, she robbed the First Community Bank located at 3620 Juan Tabo Blvd. NE. In entering her guilty pleas, Brooks admitted that, during each of the two bank robberies, she handed victim bank teller a note demanding cash and threatened to use a gun.

The case was investigated by FBI and the Albuquerque Police Department, and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kimberly A. Brawley.

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