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Former Simi Valley Police Officer Sentenced to 300 Days Jail

VENTURA, California –District Attorney Gregory D. Totten announced today that Robert Longdon (DOB 05/21/73), of Simi Valley, was sentenced after pleading guilty to four felony counts of grand theft and one felony count of attempted grand theft. Judge Bruce Young sentenced Longdon to 300 days in the Ventura County jail and 36 months of formal probation. Based on the plea, Longdon will be prohibited from possessing a firearm.

Longdon was a police officer at the Simi Valley Police Department from 2009 until he resigned earlier this year after charges were filed in this case. Longdon pled guilty to charges alleging that from March 2014, through September 2017, Longdon committed timecard fraud by claiming he worked patrol shifts he did not perform and by padding his reported hours for days he did work. During the charged period, Longdon is believed to have falsely claimed 61 ten-hour shifts. Over the course of Longdon's employment, the total estimated loss to the City of Simi Valley is \$102,138. Prior to the sentencing hearing, Longdon paid back this amount in full.

This fraud was investigated by the Simi Valley Police Department and the Ventura County District Attorney's Office, Bureau of Investigation.

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