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Press Release

Homeless man denies Robbing Weymouth bank

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A local homeless man has pled not guilty to robbing the South Shore Savings Bank in Weymouth at his Norfolk Superior Court arraignment.

Peter Stewart, age 48, was indicted by a Norfolk County Grand Jury for unarmed robbery on July 18, 2012. The Commonwealth alleges that Stewart presented a letter to a teller at the bank on June 23 and demanded money from the teller. After allegedly receiving approximately \$3,000 in cash, the defendant fled the bank on foot.

Weymouth Police used bank surveillance images of the robbery to identify the perpetrator as the defendant; the Quincy Police Department arrested the defendant outside a motel in Quincy within hours of the robbery. At that time, police say he possessed approximately \$3,000 in cash.

Stewart pled not guilty at his Sept. 6, 2012 arraignment and the \$2,500 cash bail amount established in his District Court Case was continued. He is due to return to Superior Court October 25, 2012, for pre-trial conference. He did not immediately post bail and was taken to the Norfolk County Jail in Dedham.

All defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.