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## **Former Security Guard Convicted of Theft of Lakers Championship Rings**

A former security guard at the El Segundo practice facility for the Los Angeles Lakers admitted today to stealing three of the team's championship rings and other items, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney David Berger said Mejía Eddie Monterroso, 23 (dob 10/12/90), pleaded no contest to grand theft of personal property. He was sentenced to 180 days in county jail, and three years of probation.

Judge Elden S. Fox at the Los Angeles Superior Court, Airport Branch, also ordered Monterroso to pay almost \$14,000 in restitution.

The former security guard at the Toyota Sports Center was convicted of stealing not only the three championship rings, but also hundreds of gift cards at the Lakers' offices while he worked the night shift between Oct. 24 and Dec. 5, 2013.

The El Segundo Police Department investigated the case.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Annually, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecutes more than 60,000 felonies and 140,000 misdemeanor crimes.