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Man Pleads to Vandalizing Trump Hollywood Walk of Fame Star

A 53-year-old Los Angeles man entered a no contest plea today for vandalizing Donald Trump's star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame prior to the presidential election, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Sandra Peña said James Lambert Otis entered his plea to one felony count of vandalism in case BA451849.

Otis was immediately sentenced to three years of formal probation, 20 days of Caltrans work and ordered to pay \$3,700 to the Hollywood Historic Trust and \$700 to the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce.

On Oct. 26, 2016, the defendant used a pick axe and a sledgehammer to smash the star, the prosecutor said. Otis then removed a brass medallion from the middle of the star, the prosecutor added.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Hollywood Station.

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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 protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.