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Ex-College Football Player Pleads in Robbery Spree Case

A former college football player was sentenced today to six years in state prison after pleading no contest for a series of robberies in South Los Angeles earlier this year, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Trey Lealaimatafao, 19, a former defensive lineman at Louisiana State University, entered his plea to one count of carjacking and two counts of second-degree robbery and was immediately sentenced by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Laura Priver.

Deputy District Attorney Elizabeth Padilla, who prosecuted the case, said Lealaimatafao and co-defendants Bryce Dixon and Montrell McDuffie committed a series of robberies in South Los Angeles in January. The men would stop people, threaten them with force and, in some instances, a weapon, and steal their belongings.

Dixon, also 19, who once played tight end at the University of Southern California, pleaded no contest in April to one count of carjacking, two counts of second-degree robbery and admitted a special allegation he used a knife during the robberies. He was sentenced to six years in prison.

Last month, co-defendant Montrell McDuffie, 19, pleaded no contest to one count of carjacking and two counts of second-degree robbery, along with a special allegation that he used a pipe during the crimes, and also was sentenced to six years in prison.

Case BA443180 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department's Southwest Division.

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