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Lancaster Man Sentenced to Prison for "Up-Skirt" Pictures

A 31-year-old Lancaster man today received a five-year prison sentence which will be added to a previous sentence of 15 years and six months in state prison for secretly taking pictures under the skirts of hundreds of women, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Theodore Swanson said Mylyn Coriche Johnson aka Lamar Quinn (dob 11/4/83) was found guilty on July 27 of five misdemeanor counts of video or photograph of an identifiable person in undergarments in case MA059058.

Between August 2012 and March 2013, Johnson shot up-skirt photos with his phone of several unsuspecting victims at various stores in the Lancaster area. On Feb. 20, 2013, the defendant falsely claimed he was a security guard at a Lancaster K-Mart and patted a woman down claiming to look for stolen merchandise, the prosecutor said.

He was arrested at a Target store on Mar. 16, 2013, when a victim informed security that she and her sister were being followed throughout the store by the defendant, according to court testimony.

In this case, the defendant was originally convicted on Sept. 17, 2013 of a total of 14 counts: one felony count each of sexual battery by fraud and false imprisonment by violence and 12 misdemeanor counts of video or photograph of person in undergarment.

After a court of appeals reversed five of the misdemeanor count convictions, Johnson was retried and again found guilty by a jury. The defendant now is sentenced to a total of 20 years and six months in state prison.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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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. Last year, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.