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### **Last defendant pleads in celebrity burglary case**

**LOS ANGELES** – The last of six defendants charged in the so-called Bling Ring celebrity burglary case pleaded no contest today to a felony charge, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Courtney Leigh Ames, 22, admitted receiving a leather jacket that was stolen from Paris Hilton's home in 2009. She returns Feb. 1 for sentencing by Superior Court Judge Larry Paul Fidler. She is expected to receive three years formal probation and 60 days of community service, said Deputy District Attorney Christine Kee. In exchange for her plea, one felony count each of conspiracy to commit burglary, residential burglary and receiving stolen property will be dismissed when she is sentenced.

Ames joins the other five defendants – masterminds Nicholas Prugo, 22, and Rachel Lee, 22; along with Alexis Neiers, 21; Diana Tamayo, 22; and Roy Lopez, Jr., 30 -- who admitted to various charges in connection with the residential burglaries between September 2008 and August 2009.

Authorities said the group netted more than \$3 million in jewelry, designer clothes and accessories from the homes of Orlando Bloom, Paris Hilton, Brian Austin-Green and Megan Fox, Lindsay Lohan and Audrina Patridge.

Prugo, who remains in custody, returns to court Jan. 18 for sentencing before Judge Fidler.

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