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‘Name-Brand Bandit’ Strikes Again

Well-known thief released from prison, back to stealing high-end jeans

COLUMBUS, OH—Columbus City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. announced that 42 year old Frank Reymer, a serial thief known for shoplifting designer clothing, is the latest “Fugitive of the Week” after being accused of stealing again. Reymer, recently released from prison, allegedly picked up where he left off by stealing from a Polaris Fashion Place retailer.

“National experts estimate that over \$13 billion worth of goods are stolen from U.S. retailers each year,” said City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. “We are constantly working with local merchants to combat retail crime as much as possible.”

On June 30, 2013 surveillance cameras detected suspicious activities from an individual identified as habitual shoplifter Frank Reymer. The cameras tracked Reymer as he reportedly stole two pairs of Polo jeans and one Polo shirt valued at \$245. The items were retrieved by security personnel but Reymer fled before police arrived.

The incident was far from Reymer’s first offense. His criminal history includes multiple charges of receiving stolen property, criminal trespass, felony vandalism, fleeing and eluding, passing bad checks, felony unauthorized use of a vehicle, and at least 16 counts of theft.

He is well-known among local merchants for targeting name-brand clothes during theft sprees seemingly interrupted only by incarceration. In between his stints in jail, Reymer has been criminally charged in Franklin County two dozen times. He also has been charged numerous times in other parts of Ohio.

“Whether we call him the ‘Polo Pilferer’ or the ‘Name-Brand Bandit’ Mr. Reymer is better known as someone who strikes at the bottom line of Columbus retailers,” said Assistant City Prosecutor Bill R. Hedrick. “Unfortunately, those costs are passed onto the consumer one way or another.”

Investigators don’t believe Reymer wears the designer clothing for himself, but suspect he steals the items for resale on the black market.

Anyone with information on Frank Reymer is asked to contact Bill R. Hedrick at 614.645.8874 or brhedrick@columbus.gov.

Per state law, the City Attorney’s office prosecutes misdemeanor crimes, not felonies.

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FRANK

REYMER

DOB: 12/4/1970 (Age 42)

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 285
Hair: Brown **Eyes:** Green

Last Known Address:
Unknown

Case Number(s):
2013 CRB 017134

Charge(s):
2913.02 – Theft