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CONVICTED FELON SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR ATTEMPTED ROBBERY, POSSESSING ILLEGAL FIREARM

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that Azar Alexis Moore, age 37 of Oxnard, was sentenced to three years in state prison for a 2013 attempted robbery and being a felon in possession of a firearm.

On October 2, 2013, Moore walked into a fast-food restaurant in Gonzales and approached a female employee behind the counter. He selected a bag of potato chips and acted as though he was going to purchase them. Moore then lifted up his shirt to reveal a firearm in his waistband, and asked the employee if she saw the gun.

The employee told Moore that she didn't have any money. Moore responded, "Where is it?" He left when the clerk told him she did not know where the money was.

Moore was ultimately identified when investigators matched a latent fingerprint left on the bag of potato chips to prints taken during a prior arrest. At the time, he was a convicted felon who was prohibited by law from owning or possessing firearms.

Judge Carrie M. Panetta sentenced Moore to three years in prison.

The case was investigated by Detective Mollie Enriquez of Soledad Police Department and Gonzales Police Department Officer Jeff Sibayan, with the assistance of Salinas Police Department fingerprint examiner Gayle Graves.