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Leonard Charles Brown, Jr., aka “The Stretchy Pant Bandit,” In Custody

Ceres, California – On September 30, 2012, Alameda Police Department arrested Ceres bank robbery suspect Leonard Charles Brown, Jr. He is suspected of robbing the Bank of America in Ceres on September 18, 2012, while dressed as a woman. This earned him the nickname, “The Stretchy Pant Bandit.” Brown admitted to lying to Alameda Police Officers about his name, however, they were able to determine his true identity and he is being booked at the Stanislaus County Men’s Jail for robbery.

The Ceres Police Department has received many calls about this case and appreciates the overwhelming amount of support that the community has shown this agency during the course of this investigation. Chief de Werk responded to the news of the arrest by saying, “The officers involved in identifying and apprehending this bank robbery suspect did an outstanding job. At the same time, the public’s concern and efforts in connection with this case is exactly what we need to ensure the safest possible community. This is especially true given the fact that the State of California has cut local funding, and at the same time, is early-releasing thousands of convicts into our communities.”

Previous news releases on this case, along with photos of Leonard Charles Brown, Jr., can be found in the Newsroom section of our [website](#).