

MONTEREY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Sexual Battery Arrest

On Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at approximately 5:42 p.m., Monterey Police Department officers were dispatched to a sexual battery that had just occurred. The crime occurred in the Macy's Department Store, located at Del Monte Center, where the suspect groped the victim's buttocks. Further investigation revealed that earlier that day, the suspect attempted another sexual battery. This earlier crime was reported while officers were on scene at Del Monte Center.

The suspect was identified as Diego Aquino, 25, of Seaside, CA. Aquino was arrested on the following charges: California Penal Code (PC) 243.4(e)(1) – Sexual Battery, 664/243.4(e)(1) PC – Attempted Sexual Battery and 148(a)(1) PC – Resisting / Obstructing a Peace Officer.

Aquino was transported to and booked in the Monterey County Jail. Monterey Officers requested a bail enhancement. The enhancement was granted and set at \$30,000.

Anyone with information regarding this incident or any other victims are encouraged to contact Sergeant Greg Galin at 831-646-3872 or galin@monterey.org. To remain anonymous, call (831) 646-3840

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