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**Edwin Vallejo Indicted for Robbing  
Payday Loan Company in Brooklyn  
and Kay Jewelers in Cleveland**

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CLEVELAND – Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that a Cuyahoga County Grand Jury has indicted Edwin Vallejo, 38, for the robbery of Advance America in Brooklyn and the robbery of Kay Jewelers in Cleveland.

“Vallejo’s long history of criminal activity has finally caught up to him,” said Prosecutor Michael O'Malley. “We will hold him accountable for his actions to protect our community.”

On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, Vallejo, wearing a mask, robbed Advance America, a payday loan company located in Brooklyn’s Biddulph Plaza. He zip-tied an employee’s hands behind her back and stole approximately \$2,500 cash before fleeing the scene. The indictment against Vallejo includes charges of Aggravated Robbery, Theft, Abduction, and Having Weapons Under Disability.

Less than three weeks later, on November 10<sup>th</sup>, Vallejo robbed Kay Jewelers on Steelyard Drive at gunpoint. He demanded money and keys to the jewelry cases from the store’s employees. Vallejo fled the scene with over \$50,000 in cash and jewelry. The indictment against Vallejo includes charges of Aggravated Burglary, Aggravated Robbery, Abduction, Grand Theft, and Having Weapons While Under Disability.

The investigation by Brooklyn Police Department, Cleveland Police Department, and the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI) confirmed that DNA from the Brooklyn crime scene matched that of Edwin Vallejo’s. The investigation also revealed Vallejo was involved in the Kay Jewelers robbery.

The charges of Having Weapons Under Disability pertain to an out-of-state active warrant. He is currently incarcerated in Illinois.

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