

Former Massachusetts postal worker sentenced for mail theft

A former U.S. Postal Service mail carrier was sentenced today in federal court in Boston for stealing mail containing gift cards and cash.

Brian Thibodeau, 49, of Danvers, was sentenced by U.S. Senior District Court Judge Mark L. Wolf to one year of probation. Thibodeau was also ordered to pay a fine of \$7,500 and restitution in the amount of \$175. On Aug. 5, 2021, Thibodeau pleaded guilty to one count of theft of mail by an employee of the U.S. Postal Service.

Beginning in 2001, Thibodeau worked as a letter carrier in the Saugus Post Office. In 2020, Thibodeau stole cash and gift cards sent in the mail he was responsible for delivering to postal customers and spent the funds for his personal use. Thibodeau stole approximately \$2,000 worth of gift cards from postal customers on his route.

Acting United States Attorney Nathaniel R. Mendell and Matthew Modafferi, Special Agent in Charge of the United States Postal Service Office of Inspector General, Northeast Area Office made the announcement today. Assistant U.S. Attorney Eugenia M. Carris, Deputy Chief of Mendell's Public Corruption & Special Prosecutions Unit, prosecuted the case.