

Casino robbery suspect arraigned - Pueblo Chieftain

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A former Pueblo man was arraigned Monday on robbery charges in a Las Vegas justice court.

A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Feb. 23 for Anthony Michael Carleo.

Carleo, 29, is facing six felony counts in the brazen robbery of the Bellagio Casino on Dec. 14.

Carleo is charged with burglary while in possession of a

deadly weapon, carrying a concealed firearm or deadly weapon, two counts of robbery with use of a deadly weapon and two counts of assault with a deadly weapon.

Investigators believe Carleo, wearing a full motorcycle helmet, ran into the casino, stole \$1.5 million in high-value chips before running out of the building while brandishing a gun, then fleeing on a motorcycle.

Carleo was arrested last week after he attempted to sell some of the stolen \$25,000 chips to undercover officers

Between the robbery and the arrest, investigators said Carleo tried to live the high life, coming back home to Pueblo to party with friends and even returning to the Bellagio to gamble.

The Clark County (Nev.) District Attorney's office said Carleo didn't enter a plea on Monday and that pleas on felony charges aren't accepted in justice court, where Carleo was arraigned.

Instead, Carleo will eventually enter a plea in district court, where the case is progressing.

Carleo's attorneys did not take up the issue of bail either.

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Carleo is being held on \$15,000 bail on one charge and without bail on another.

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