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22 Years to Life in State Prison for Predatory Sexual Assault and First Degree Rape



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that SALAM AL HAIDERI, 24, of Niskayuna, was sentenced to 22 years to Life in State Prison before the Honorable Roger McDonough in Albany County Supreme Court this morning.

On April 4, 2014, AL HAIDERI was found guilty following a jury trial of (1) Count of Predatory Sexual Assault, a Class A-II Felony, and (1) Count of Rape in the First Degree, a Class B Violent Felony.

The Court additionally sentenced AL HAIDERI to 22 years in State Prison, to be followed by 20 years of Post Release Supervision, on the First Degree Rape charge to be served concurrent to the 22 years to Life in State Prison sentence on the Predatory Sexual Assault charge.

On June 2, 2013 in the area of Central Avenue and Vly Road in the Town of Colonie, the defendant forcibly raped a 19 year old victim by a dumpster behind a pizza shop. During the assault AL HAIDERI repeatedly slammed the victim's face in to the ground.

Following the violent sexual assault, the victim went to a convenience store in the immediate area and told an employee that she had been raped. The victim suffered multiple physical injuries during the assault, specifically, a fractured orbital bone, fractured nose and broken ribs.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Chantelle Cleary of the Special Victims Unit.

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