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Albany Teenager Sentenced to 10 Years In State Prison For Shotgun Robbery



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced that FERNANDO CASTELLANO, 17, of Albany, was sentenced to 10 years in State Prison followed by 5 years of Post Release Supervision before the Honorable Thomas Breslin in Albany County Court this morning.

On January 15, 2013, CASTELLANO pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Robbery in the First Degree, a Class C Felony.

On August 29, 2012, CASTELLANO, along with Co-Defendant AHZALLAM KABIA and a third unidentified individual entered an apartment on Brevator Street in the City of Albany armed with a shotgun. While inside, two of the occupants of the apartment were struck by KABIA. The defendants took a laptop and then fled.

On January 2, 2013, AHZALLAM KABIA was sentenced as a juvenile offender to an indeterminate State Prison sentence of 1 ½ to 4 ½ years.

“Mr. Castellano and Mr. Kabia have gotten the message loudly and clearly with these dispositions and will be in a New York State Prison for some time. Our hope here is that others who may believe that they can commit crimes without consequences get this message; There are consequences in Albany County for your actions. I want to thank ADA Hauf for his hard work making the streets of Albany County a safer place by holding these two defendants accountable for their actions,” commented DA Soares.

Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hauf of the Major Offense Bureau prosecuted this case.

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