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Defendant Sentenced to 3 ½ Years in State Prison for Sexual Abuse



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that FRANCIS CRISPELL, 28, of Cohoes, was sentenced to 3 ½ years in State Prison, to be followed by 10 years of Post Release Supervision, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On December 3, 2013, CRISPELL pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Sexual Abuse in the First Degree, a Class D Felony.

On February 2, 2013 in the City of Watervliet, the defendant entered a residence of a woman known to him without her permission. While inside the residence, he entered the bedroom while she was asleep and inappropriately touched her with his hand for his own sexual gratification.

The defendant will be required to register as a Sexual Offender after his release the New York State Department of Corrections.

Special Victims Unit Bureau Chief Shannon Sarfoh handled the prosecution of this case.

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