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## **Albany Man Pleads Guilty to Manslaughter**



**ALBANY, NY-** District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that MALEEK JOHNSON, 20, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Manslaughter in the First Degree before the Honorable Dan Lamont in Albany County Supreme Court this morning.

On July 23, 2011 at 4:01 a.m., in the area of Broad Street and Third Avenue in the City of Albany, JOHNSON shot Ishmael Dowling while Dowling was sitting in his vehicle. Fleeing a

short distance, Dowling crashed his vehicle into a brick wall. He was found dead when police arrived at the scene.

DNA evidence subsequently linked JOHNSON to the murder weapon. He faces 18 years in State Prison followed by 5 years of Post Release Supervision when he is sentenced on October 19, 2012.

Assistant District Attorney Eric Galarneau, Burea Chief of the Major Offenses Bureau, and Assistant District Attorney Kurt Haas of the Street Crimes Bureau, handled the prosecution of this case.

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