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Cohoes Man Arraigned in Alleged Arson Case



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that JOHN GOMES, 51, of Cohoes, was arraigned before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court this morning.

GOMES was previously indicted by a Grand Jury on (1) Count of Arson in the Fourth Degree, a Class E Felony.

The indictment alleges that on November 30, 2017, at approximately 2:10 PM, in the area of Remsen Street in the City of Cohoes, GOMES did recklessly cause damage to several buildings by intentionally starting a fire. On the above said date, time, and location, GOMES allegedly recklessly damaged several buildings in the City of Cohoes by intentionally starting a fire in a barrel which was located in close proximity to the wooden back porch of GOMES' home.

GOMES pleaded not guilty to the charges and was released by the Court. No new appearance dates have been scheduled by the Court at this time.

Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney Cheryl Fowler is handling the prosecution of this case.

For more information please contact Cecilia Walsh at cecilia.walsh@albanycountyny.gov.

***All parties are presumed innocent until
and unless proven guilty***

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