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## Drunk Drivers Plead Guilty in Albany County Court



**ALBANY, NY-** District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that 3 defendants pleaded guilty to Driving While Intoxicated related charges in Albany County Court yesterday.

**KIMBERLEE WHITE**, 29, of Schenectady, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Judge Stephen W. Herrick in Albany County Court on Thursday morning.

On September 6, 2015, at approximately 1:37 a.m., WHITE was stopped by New York State Police after being seen driving on I90 in the City of Albany without headlights or taillights turned on and failing to keep right. At the time she was stopped, WHITE showed physical signs of intoxication and failed the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. She later registered a Blood Alcohol Content of .14%.

WHITE faces 45 days in Albany County Jail, to be followed by 5 years of Felony Probation, 5 years of mandatory Ignition Interlock Device, attendance at Drug Court, a \$1,000 fine, 1 year minimum license revocation which is subject to the Department of Motor Vehicles, and attendance at a Victim Impact Panel, when sentenced on January 5, 2016.

Additionally, **JOSEPH SANDERS**, 59, of Schenectady, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated: Child in Vehicle, a Class E Felony, before Honorable Judge Stephen W. Herrick in Albany County Court on Thursday morning.

On September 7, 2015, at approximately 11:41 p.m., at the toll plaza of I90, SANDERS was stopped for a child in his vehicle not wearing a seat belt. Upon being stopped, SANDERS showed physical signs of intoxication and failed the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. He later registered a Blood Alcohol Content of .09%.

This is a Leandra's Law case as SANDERS was driving with a 3-year-old and an 11-year-old in the vehicle.

SANDERS faces 3 years of Conditional Discharge, a \$1,000 fine, 3 years of mandatory Ignition Interlock Device, 1 year minimum license revocation which is subject to the Department of Motor Vehicles, and mandatory attendance at a Victim Impact Panel, when sentenced on January 7, 2016.

Finally, **VINCENT SHEEHAN**, 66, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Judge Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court on Thursday Morning.

On May 14, 2015, at approximately 8:51 p.m., in the area of Inferno Pizza at 1810 Western Avenue, Guilderland Police Department received a call about a possibly highly intoxicated person. Upon arrival, SHEEHAN showed physical signs of intoxication and failed the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. He said he drove from his house to pick up pizza. He later registered a Blood Alcohol Content of .17%.

SHEEHAN faces 1 year in Albany County Jail, to be followed by 5 years of Probation, when sentenced on January 7, 2016. He will also be subject to a mandatory Ignition Interlock Device for 5 years upon his release from custody, a \$1,000 fine, , 1 year minimum license revocation which is subject to the Department of Motor Vehicles, and mandatory attendance at a Victim Impact Panel.

These cases were all prosecuted by Vehicular Crimes Bureau Chief Mary Tanner-Richter.

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