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## Guilty Plea After K-9 Aides Police to Find Armed Robber



**COLON**



**K-9 ROBBY**

**ALBANY, NY** – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that JERRE COLON, 17, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Robbery in the First Degree, a Class C Armed Felony, before the Honorable Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Supreme Court this morning.

On December 23, 2015 at about 10:30 a.m., a taxi cab driver called the Albany Police Department to report that as he was dropping a passenger off in the area of Clinton Street and Third Avenue in the City of Albany, the passenger and another individual forcibly robbed him of

his property. The driver reported that the second man was wielding a shotgun during the robbery.

Authorities responded to the scene and a K-9 handler conducted a track with his partner, which led to a home on Teunis Street where the individuals were located and apprehended by several members of the Albany Police Department's Community Response. The victim's id cards, keys, and phone were also located at the residence, along with a 12 gauge shotgun.

COLON faces up to 10 years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision, when sentenced on July 27, 2016.

Co-defendant JUSTAN BILOUS, 20, of Schenectady, previously pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Armed Felony, and faces 5 years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision, when sentenced on June 15, 2016 before Honorable Judge Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Supreme Court.

Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hauf of the Major Crimes Unit prosecuted this case.



**Special thanks and recognition goes out to Robby, the 5 year old male German Shepard K-9 who assisted in the apprehension of the suspects, and his handler at the time**

**Kyle McCraith. Great job Robby!**

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