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## Guilty Plea for Armed Robbery



**ALBANY, NY** – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that ELISHA WASHINGTON, 24, of Albany, pleaded guilty to an indictment charging (1) Count of Robbery in the First Degree, a Class B Armed Felony, and (1) Count of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Violent Felony, before the Honorable Judge Stephen W. Herrick in Albany County Court this morning.

On March 10, 2014, at approximately 1:35 a.m., while in the vicinity of 409 Madison Avenue, in the City of Albany, WASHINGTON, along with 3 co-defendants, displayed a sawed off shotgun and forcibly stole property from another individual. WASHINGTON was later apprehended by the Albany Police Department in the vehicle described by the victim and the victim's property was located inside the car.

WASHINGTON faces up to 14 years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision, when sentenced on May 20, 2015.

This is not the first time WASHINGTON has been arrested for committing a robbery. On November 12, 2009 at approximately 7:00 p.m., WASHINGTON forcibly stole a cell phone from a man at Washington Avenue and Robin Street in the City of Albany and was arrested by the Albany Police Department. He was sentenced to six-months in the county jail and five years of felony probation.

On February 27, 2015, co-defendant KHALIM GILLEY, 21, of Albany, was found guilty after jury trial of (1) Count of Robbery in the First Degree, a Class B Armed Felony, and (1) Count of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Violent Felony, before the Honorable Stephen W. Herrick in Albany County Court. GILLEY faces a maximum of 25 years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision, when sentenced on April 9, 2015.

Co-defendant ANTHONY SMITH, 25, of Albany, pleaded guilty to Attempted Assault in the First Degree and will be sentenced to 3 ½ years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision.

Co- defendant KAREAM JACKSON, 26, of Albany, pleaded guilty to Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree and was sentenced to 2 years in State Prison, to be followed by 3 years of Post-Release Supervision.

Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hauf of the Major Offense Bureau is prosecuting this case.

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