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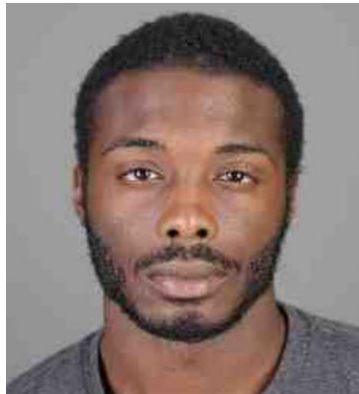
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Guilty Pleas Take Illegal Weapons Off of Albany Streets



Jamal Turner



David Mathes



Gregory Stover

ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that three defendants pleaded guilty to charges in separate illegal weapon possession cases in Albany County Court this morning.

JAMAL TURNER, 41, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class D Violent Felony, before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court this morning.

On July 21, 2018, in the area of Wilkins Avenue in the City of Albany, the Federal Department of Probation recovered a loaded 9 mm Lugar handgun inside a brown leather bag deemed to be illegally possessed by TURNER.

TURNER faces 4 ½ years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post- Release Supervision, when sentenced on September 21, 2018.

Additionally, DAVID MATHES, 21, of Troy, pleaded guilty (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class D Violent Felony, before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court this morning.

On June 20, 2018, in the area of Livingston Avenue and Ontario Street in the City of Albany, officers of the Albany Police Department initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle in which MATHES was the passenger. Upon discovering the driver had a suspended license, MATHES was asked to step out of the vehicle. Officers found MATHES in illegal possession of a loaded Glock model handgun.

MATHES faces 4 ½ years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post- Release Supervision, when sentenced on September 21, 2018.

Furthermore, GREGORY STOVER, 36, of Schenectady, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class C Armed Violent Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On October 28, 2017, in the area of Route 9 in the Town of Colonie, officers of the Colonie Police Department initiated a traffic stop and discovered STOVER to be driving with a suspended license. A subsequent inventory search of the vehicle uncovered a loaded semiautomatic 9MM handgun deemed to be in illegal possession of STOVER.

STOVER faces 5 years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision, when sentenced on October 26, 2018.

Assistant District Attorney Megan Spillane of the Street Crimes Unit handled the prosecution of all three cases.

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