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Guilty Verdict in Westerlo Drugged Driving Case



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that KAREN BOAS, 40, of Palenville, was found guilty after jury trial of (1) Count of Driving While Ability Impaired by Drugs, a Misdemeanor, and (1) Count of Failing to Keep Right, a Traffic Infraction, before Honorable Judge Robert Carl in Westerlo Town Court yesterday afternoon.

On June 27, 2014, at about 1:21 am, an on duty deputy with the Albany County Sheriff's Department observed a dark blue Saturn station wagon cross the double yellow lines and fail to keep right while travelling on Route 1 in the Town of Westerlo. Upon pulling the car over, the officer observed signs of impairment of BOAS who was operating the vehicle. At the time of the incident BOAS was impaired by the drug clonazepam.

BOAS faces up to a year in local jail when sentenced on July 8, 2015.

Assistant District Attorney Lee Wilson prosecuted this case.

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