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Repeat Drunk Driver Pleads Guilty after Veering Into Oncoming Traffic in Cohoes



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that **SCOTT LAW**, 40, of Pittsfield, MA, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, as a Class E Felony, and (1) Count of Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle in the First Degree, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On May 25, 2018, at approximately 10:26 P.M., members of the Cohoes Police Department observed a vehicle without headlights veering into oncoming lanes of traffic on Columbia Street in the City of Cohoes. During a traffic stop the officers observed physical signs of intoxication by the driver and saw an open container of alcoholic beverage in the car. At the time of the incident LAW was driving on a suspended license from a previous drunk driving conviction. LAW failed several roadside sobriety tests and later refused to submit to chemical testing to determine blood alcohol level.

LAW has (4) prior alcohol related driving convictions.

LAW faces 1 to 3 years in State Prison when sentenced on August 21, 2018. LAW also faces \$1500 in fines, a minimum 1 year license revocation subject to Department of Motor Vehicle guidelines, attendance at a Victim Impact Panel, attendance at Impaired Drivers Program, and a 3 year conditional discharge of Interlock Ignition Device upon release from custody.

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