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Repeat Drunk Driver Sentenced to State Prison



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that MICHAEL JONES, 29, of Schenectady, was sentenced to 2 to 6 years in State Prison before the Honorable Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Supreme Court this morning. JONES was also ordered to pay a \$2,000 fine, in addition to having a mandatory Ignition Interlock Device installed for 3 years, a minimum 18 month license revocation subject to the Department of Motor Vehicle determinations, and a required completion of the Drinking Driver Program.

On January 31, 2017, JONES pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated Per Se, a Class D Felony.

On September 24, 2016, at approximately 3:55 A.M., on Western Avenue in the Town of Guilderland, JONES was stopped for multiple traffic violations. Upon closer inspection, officers detected that JONES displayed physical signs of intoxication and had the strong odor of alcohol emanating from his breath. After turning over his license, it was found that JONES was driving with a revoked license from a 2015 DWI related conviction. JONES failed several field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest. A breathalyzer test was later performed and indicated that JONES had a blood alcohol content level of .21.

JONES has 3 previous DWI convictions within the last 10 years.

Vehicular Crimes Unit Bureau Chief Mary Tanner-Richter prosecuted this case.

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