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## 11 Years in State Prison for Robbery of Multiple Pharmacies



**ALBANY, NY** – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that TIMOTHY O’CONNOR, 30, was sentenced to 11 years in State Prison and 5 years of Post-Release Supervision before the Honorable Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Court this morning.

O’CONNOR was also sentenced to 2 to 6 years in State Prison for violating the conditions of his participation in the Albany County Drug Court program before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court this morning. This sentence will be served consecutively to the aforementioned sentence.

On January 31, 2013, O’CONNOR pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Robbery in the First Degree, a Class C Violent Felony, in full satisfaction of the indictment.

On September 6, 2012, O’CONNOR entered a CVS on Madison Avenue in City of Albany brandishing a claw style hammer and stole money from the register. On September 18, 2012, O’CONNOR returned to the CVS on Madison Avenue. O’CONNOR displayed a note stating he had a gun and demanded oxycodone from the pharmacist.

Finally, on September 19, 2012, O’CONNOR entered a Rite-Aid pharmacy on Central Avenue and handed a pharmacist a note stating he had a gun and displaying what appeared to be a pistol. O’CONNOR took a half ounce of oxycodone from this pharmacy.

“Prior to these actions, Mr. O’Connor was given an opportunity at sobriety. While treatment is often the best course for defendants’ with addictions, we simply cannot accept the violence imposed on other like in this case. Ensuring the safety and security of pharmacies that possess oxycodone and other controlled substances for legitimate medical purposes will always be a top priority in Albany County. The lengthy state prison sentence imposed upon the defendant is appropriate for the crimes he committed. I want to thank ADA Hauf for his hard work holding this defendant accountable for this actions and ensuring the safety and security of pharmacies in Albany County,” commented DA Soares.

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

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