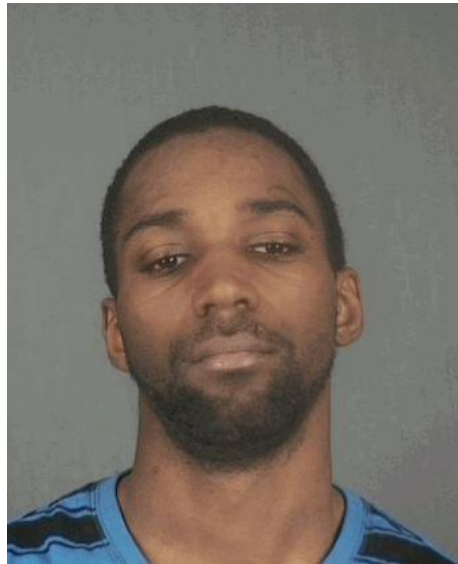




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Defendant Pleads Guilty to Repeatedly Violating No Contact Order of Protection



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that DANIEL BANKS, 26, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Aggravated Criminal Contempt, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On November 29, 2013, the defendant went to a residence in the City of Albany in violation of a full stay away No Contact Order of Protection previously issued in Albany Criminal City Court. The defendant went inside and hit the occupant of the residence in the forehead with a metal pot,

causing a physical injury. As the victim attempted to call 911, the defendant broke the phone and threw the metal pot against the wall.

BANKS faces 1 ½ to 3 years in State Prison when sentenced on June 10, 2014. The defendant remains in custody at the Albany County Correctional Facility on \$20,000 bail to await sentencing.

Assistant District Attorney Jennifer McCanney of the Special Victims Unit is handling the prosecution of this case.

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