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Brazen Burglar Sentenced to 9 ½ Years in State Prison



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced that ERICA THOMAS, 35, of Schenectady, was sentenced to 9 ½ years in State Prison followed by 5 years of Post Release Supervision before the Hon. Joseph Teresi in Albany County Court this morning. THOMAS was

found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Burglary in the Second Degree, a Class C Violent Felony on July 25, 2012.

On July 5, 2011 at approximately 1:40am, THOMAS unlawfully entered into a residence in the City of Albany and proceeded to steal money from a victim who was sleeping inside next to his three year old daughter. The victim did wake up during this incident and began to struggle with THOMAS. At that point Co-Defendant ERNESTO SANTIAGO hurled an object to break through a sliding glass door to come to the aid of THOMAS. The victim was able to call 911 and neither the victim nor his daughter was injured.

Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hauf of the Major Crimes Unit handled the prosecution of this case.

For more information, please contact Cecilia Logue.

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