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Cohoes Shooter Pleads Guilty



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that CHRISTOPHER COWAN, 24, of Cohoes, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Assault in the First Degree, a Class C Armed Violent Felony, before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court this morning.

On June 4, 2017, at approximately 3:10 PM, in the area of 170 Congress Street, in the City of Cohoes, COWAN did attempt to cause physical injury to another person by discharging a loaded pistol, striking the victim in the shoulder area. On the above said date, location, and time, COWAN did engage in a verbal dispute with the victim. During the dispute, COWAN did pull

out a .25 caliber semi-automatic pistol and shot the victim in the neck/shoulder area. The shooting was captured on a cellphone. COWAN was later found in Troy with a loaded pistol in his pocket. COWAN did admit to the shooting on a video statement.

COWAN faces 9-12 years in State Prison when sentenced on February 2, 2018.

Assistant District Attorney Dennis DiBari of the Major Offense Unit prosecuted this case.

For more information please contact the Albany County District Attorney's Office at AlbanyDA@albanycountyny.gov .



Recovered Gun from the Incident

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