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Former Officers Sentenced for Crimes Against A Minor



JOSHUA SPRATT



MARTIN ZALOGA

ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that two former law enforcement officers were sentenced for separate cases of inappropriate contact with a minor.

JOSHUA SPRATT, 35, of New Scotland, was sentenced to 6 months in Albany County Jail, to be followed by 10 years of Felony Probation, before the Honorable Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Supreme Court this morning.

On October 8, 2015, SPRATT pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Criminal Sexual Act in the Third Degree.

Between the approximate dates of February 14, 2015 and April 10, 2015, SPRATT engaged in (4) separate sexual acts with a 16 year old female that was known to him at locations in the City of Watervliet and the Village of Menands. During that same time period, while acting in his capacity as a Watervliet police officer, SPRATT engaged in Official Misconduct.

SPRATT will be required to register as a sex offender, and abide by a no contact order of protection.

The investigation into SPRATT also uncovered inappropriate activities of another law enforcement official.

MARTIN ZALOGA, 45, of Voorheesville, was sentenced to 3 years of probation before Judge Peter A. Lynch today in Albany County Court.

ZALOGA previously pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Endangering the Welfare of a Child after an investigation revealed his inappropriate and sexually explicit conversations with a minor. At the time of the incident ZALOGA was an active law enforcement officer with the Albany County Sheriff's Department.

Assistant District Attorney Jennifer McCanney of the Special Victims Unit handled the prosecution of these cases.

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