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Guilty Plea for Cocaine Sale



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that RAKEEM CHARLESTON, 21, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, a Class C Felony, before Honorable Judge Stephen W. Herrick in Albany County Court yesterday afternoon.

During the day of July 18, 2014, in the area of 109 Lark Street, in the City of Albany, CHARLESTON did knowingly sell a quantity of crack cocaine in exchange for a sum of US currency. CHARLESTON was then arrested on July 21, 2014, at approximately 5:46pm at 108 Lark Street, in the City of Albany, by the Albany Police Department. Upon a subsequent search CHARLESTON was found to have 7.7 grams of crack cocaine divided into 32 baggies secreted

on his person.

CHARLESTON faces up to 4 years in State Prison, to be followed by 2 years of Post-Release Supervision, when sentenced on December 2, 2014.

Assistant District Attorney Kurt Haas of the Street Crimes Unit is prosecuting this case.

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