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Guilty Plea for Colonie Cocaine Possession



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that TROY M. SAUNDERS, 30, of Schenectady, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Sell in the Third Degree, a Class B Felony, before Honorable Judge Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court on Friday, October 24, 2014.

On February 7, 2014, at approximately 11:50pm, members of the Colonie Police Department observed SAUNDERS failing to signal a turn while he was driving a vehicle at the intersection of Central Ave and Karner Road in the Town of Colonie. Upon a subsequent traffic stop, SAUNDERS fled police on foot and then engaged in a physical altercation with the officers, causing physical injury to one officer. A search uncovered 21 individual baggies of cocaine.

SAUNDERS faces up to 4 ½ years in State Prison, to be followed by 3 years of Post-Release Supervision, when sentenced on January 9, 2015. SAUNDERS will also have to forfeit all funds in association with this crime.

Assistant District Attorney Joseph Brucato of the Street Crimes Unit is prosecuting this case.

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