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Guilty Plea for Guilderland Ability Impaired Driver



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that MATHEW MANNING, 55, of Utica, New York, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Driving While Ability Impaired by the Combined Influence of Alcohol and A Drug, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On August 14, 2016, at approximately 8:00 P.M., MANNING was observed driving erratically in his white Chevrolet by swerving far to the left and striking the guard rail in the center median on I-90 in the Town of Guilderland. When the vehicle struck the guardrail the front driver side tire came off of the car. Despite this, MANNING continued to drive the vehicle across three lanes of traffic coming to a stop against the right shoulder of the highway. Members of the New York State Police Department responded to the scene and observed MANNING speaking with severely slurred speech. MANNING failed multiple filed sobriety tests, and admitted to taking Alprazolam, Amphetamine, and Methamphetamine prior to operating the vehicle.

MANNING faces 1 to 3 years in State Prison, in addition License Revocation for a minimum of 1 year subject to DMV determination, and mandatory completion of the Victim Impact Panel and Drinking Driver Programs, when sentenced on June 28, 2017.

Assistant District Attorney David Szalda of the Vehicular Crimes Unit prosecuted this case.

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Manning's Front Driver Side Tire After the Crash

