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Guilty Pleas in Vehicular Crime Cases



DEVON SMITH



JOSEPH CORRODORE



JERMECIA PAYLOR

ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that three individuals pleaded guilty to charges relating to three separate vehicular crime cases that took place in Albany County.

Specifically, **DEVON SMITH**, 23, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Vehicle in the First Degree, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court yesterday morning.

On September 22, 2018, while in the area of Central Avenue in the City of Albany, officers of the New York State Police stopped the vehicle SMITH was driving for travelling at a speed over

the posted limit. A license check revealed that SMITH was driving with a suspended license and had a total of 21 suspensions on 11 separate dates.

The above stated incident violated the conditions set forth by the Albany County Probation Department for a prior misdemeanor conviction.

SMITH faces up to 1 year in the Albany County Correctional Facility, when sentenced on January 16, 2019.

Additionally, **JOSEPH CORRODORE**, 55, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated; Child in Vehicle, a Class E Felony, (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, Per se, as a Misdemeanor, (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, a Misdemeanor, and (1) Count of Endangering the Welfare of a Child, a Class A Misdemeanor, before the Honorable Roger D. McDonough in Albany County Supreme Court yesterday afternoon.

On August 14, 2018, at approximately 8:50 P.M., officers of the Albany Police Department observed CORRODORE drive through an intersection on West Lawrence Street in the City of Albany as the light remained red. Officers then conducted a traffic stop where CORRODORE displayed physical signs of intoxication and admitted to having a beer at home before driving. At the time of the incident, CORRODORE had his 6 year old daughter in the vehicle with him. CORRODORE failed field sobriety tests and had a blood alcohol content level of .11% approximately one and a half hours after the stop.

CORRODORE faces 1 1/3 to 4 years in State Prison when sentenced on January 25, 2019, with a potential for the Court to consider persistent felon status based on prior felony state prison convictions, which could result in a much higher sentence. In addition to his sentence, CORRODORE will be subject to a minimum 1 year license revocation subject to the determinations of the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, the installation of an Ignition Interlock Device for 3 years upon release from custody, and a \$1,000 fine.

Lastly, **JERMECIA PAYLOR**, 30, of Troy, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated, a Class E Felony, and (1) Count of Circumvention of Interlock Device, a Class A Misdemeanor, before the Honorable Roger D. McDonough in Albany County Supreme Court yesterday afternoon.

On February 23, 2018, at approximately 4:45 A.M., in the area of Central Avenue in the City of Albany, officers observes PAYLOR driving a vehicle without headlights on, speeding, and driving the wrong way down a one way street. PAYLOR then pulled into a McDonald's where officers conducted a traffic stop. PAYLOR failed field sobriety tests, had a blood alcohol content level of .26%, and had no ignition interlock device installed in the vehicle she was driving in violation of the terms of her previous impairment related driving conviction.

PAYLOR faces a sentence of 8 months in the Albany County Correctional Facility, to be followed by 5 years of Probation, when sentenced on January 18, 2019. Additionally, PAYLOR

will be subject to a minimum 18 month license revocation subject to the determinations of the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, and a \$1,000 fine.

Vehicular Crimes Bureau Chief Mary Tanner-Richter is handling the prosecution of all three cases.

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