



OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
P. DAVID SOARES
6 LODGE STREET
ALBANY, NEW YORK 12207
(518) 487-5460
(518) 487-5093 FAX

CONTACT: CECILIA WALSH (518) 275-4710
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: FEBRUARY 19, 2016

Guilty Verdict for Heroin Dealer



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that JOHN VALENTIN, 48, of Albany, was found guilty after a jury trial of (2) Counts of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, both Class B Felonies, (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, a Class B Felony, and (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor, before Honorable Judge Roger McDonough in Albany County Supreme Court yesterday evening.

On two dates in the months of April and May of 2015, VALENTIN did sell quantities of heroin in exchange of US Currency while at his residence on Clinton Street in the City of Albany. A search warrant executed at VALENTIN's residence uncovered (44) bags of heroin, in addition to a scale, plastic baggies, US Currency, and (20) .40 caliber rounds of live ammunition.

VALENTIN faces up to 30 years in State Prison when sentenced on April 8, 2016.

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

For more information please contact Cecilia Walsh at (518) 275-4710.

###