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Guilty Verdict in Menands Robbery



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that MESSIAH GREEN, 22, of Albany, was found guilty after a jury trial of (2) Counts of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Violent Felony, (1) Count of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Armed Violent Felony, (1) Count of Assault in the Second Degree, a Class D Violent Felony, (1) Count of Grand Larceny in the Fourth Degree, a Class E Felony, and (4) Counts of Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Fourth Degree, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Roger D. McDonough in Albany County Supreme Court yesterday afternoon.

A jury found that on March 27, 2017, at approximately 8:20 PM, in the area of Pateman Circle and North Sage Hill Lane, in the Village of Menands, GREEN, along with three other individuals (K. Chaney, Z. Chaney, Cooper), did forcibly steal personal property and during the course of the crime, caused physical injury to the victim. GREEN, aided by three others, did punch the victim's head multiple times, and while another participant displayed what appeared to be a firearm, did steal the victim's cellphone and wallet. Using GPS, Officers did track the victim's phone and wallet to be located in a vehicle, with GREEN and the three other defendants.

On June 23, 2017, KIESHAWN CHANEY and ZECHARIHAS CHANEY pleaded guilty to Robbery in the Second Degree. On August 4, 2017, RAYMEEN COOPER pleaded guilty to Robbery in the Second Degree.

GREEN faces up to 15 years in State Prison when sentenced on January 12, 2018.

Assistant District Attorney Michael Wetmore of the Legal Affairs Unit and Assistant District Attorney Dennis DiBari of the Major Offense Unit prosecuted this case.

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