

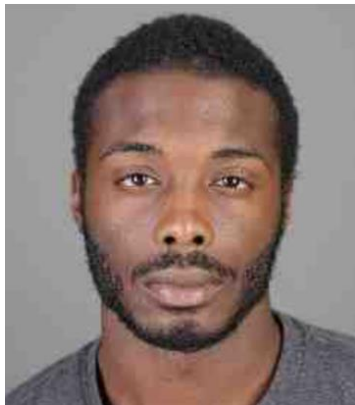
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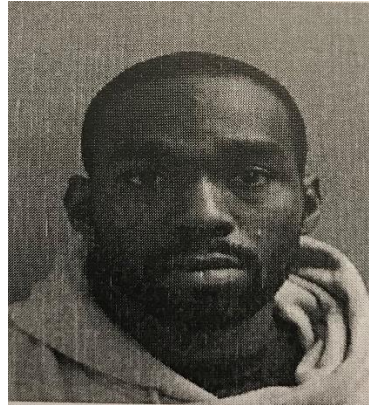
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## Illegal Weapons Cases Resolved in Albany County



**DAVID MATHES**



**MELUNDAE TEASLEY**

**ALBANY, NY-** District Attorney P. David Soares announced today the resolutions of two separate illegal weapon possession cases handled in Albany County Court this morning.

DAVID MATHES, 21, of Troy, was sentenced today to 4 ½ years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision, before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court this morning.

On August 31, 2018, MATHES pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class D Violent Felony. On June 20, 2018, in the area of

Livingston Avenue and Ontario Street in the City of Albany, officers of the Albany Police Department initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle in which MATHES was the passenger. Upon discovering the driver had a suspended license, MATHES was asked to step out of the vehicle. Officers found MATHES in illegal possession of a loaded Glock model handgun.

Additionally, MELUNDAE TEASLEY, 31, of Menands, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class D Armed Violent Felony, before the Honorable Pater A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On September 1, 2018, in the area of 444 Broadway in the Village of Menands, officers of the Menands Village Police Department initiated a traffic stop on a speeding vehicle that TEASLEY was driving. A probable cause search led officers to discover a gun inside the vehicle, hidden underneath the removable cup holder of the center console of the car. Specifically, officers found TEASLEY in illegal possession of a black revolver.

TEASLEY faces 5 years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision when sentenced on November 16, 2018.

Assistant District Attorney Megan Spillane of the Street Crimes Unit handled the prosecution of both cases.

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