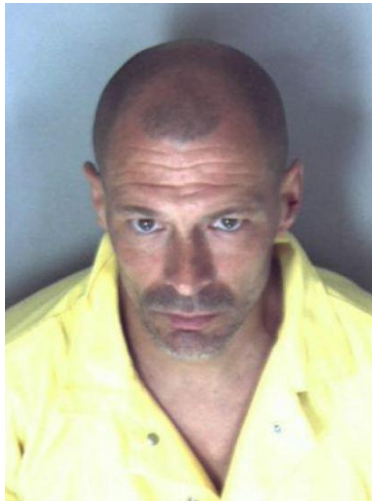


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Persistent Violent Felon Sentenced to 18 Years to Life



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that JAMES SAYERS, 44, of Albany, was sentenced to 18 Years to Life in State Prison, before the Honorable Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Supreme Court this morning.

On October 6, 2014, SAYERS pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Assault in the First Degree, a Class C Violent Felony.

On 5:53pm on August 11, 2014, SAYERS did attempt to cause the serious physical injury of a woman by means of stabbing her with a knife. SAYERS followed the woman off of a CDTA bus on Watervliet Shaker Road in the Town of Colonie and attacked her in a wooded area.

SAYERS is a registered Level 3 Sex Offender who was under the supervision of Parole at the time of the attack.

Major Offenses Unit Bureau Chief Eric Galarneau and Assistant District Attorney Steven Sharp prosecuted this case.

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



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