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Watervliet Burglar Lands in State Prison



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares today announced that IAN NEELY, 17, of Watervliet, was sentenced to 7 years in State Prison to be followed by 3 years of post-release supervision before Honorable Judge Thomas Breslin in Albany County Court today for his role in series of home invasion burglaries in the City of Watervliet.

NEELY previously pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Burglary in the 2nd Degree, a Class D Felony.

On three separate dates in January 2012, NEELY did knowingly and unlawfully break into houses throughout the City of Watervliet. NEELY would make entry through either an unlocked door or he would throw an object through a window in at the rear of the residence in order to unlock the door. NEELY then proceeded to steal electronics from these houses. NEELY made full confessions to each of these burglaries and was also captured on video right outside of the site of the last burglary at the time it is alleged to have occurred.

“Watervliet is a city where people care about their community and neighbors look after one another. Mr. Neely violated the sense of security for city residents and now is being held accountable,” said DA David Soares.

Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hauf of the Major Crimes Unit handled the prosecution of this case.

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