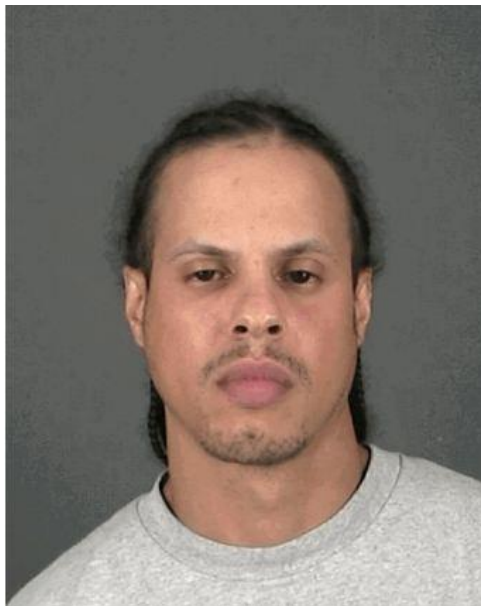




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## Albany Man Pleads Guilty to Selling Cocaine



**ALBANY, NY-** District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that LAROY COOPER, 34, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Possession of a Controlled

Substance in the Third Degree, a Class C Felony, before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court this morning.

On August 26, 2013, members of the Albany Police Department executed a search warrant at a residence on Second Avenue in the City of Albany. While inside, the defendant was found to be in possession of 51.4 grams of cocaine. As the defendant was being processed while in police custody, officers discovered 5 more grams of cocaine hidden on his person.

This guilty plea is in full satisfaction of multiple narcotic sales attributed to this defendant.

COOPER faces 5 years in State Prison, to be followed by 3 years of Post Release Supervision when sentenced on January 28, 2014.

Assistant District Attorney Kurt Haas of the Street Crimes Unit is handling the prosecution of this case.

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