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Defendant Pleads Guilty to Attempted Sex Trafficking



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that JOHN HAMMOND, 38, of Providence, Rhode Island, pleaded guilty of (1) Count of Attempted Sex Trafficking, a Class C Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this afternoon.

On August 22, 2012 in the Town of Colonie, the defendant did intentionally attempt to force a victim to engage in acts of prostitution to retire or repay a purported debt while the victim was under the influence of narcotics.

HAMMOND faces 2 to 6 years in State Prison and is currently in custody at the Albany County Correctional Facility without bail to await sentencing.

Assistant District Attorney Chantelle Cleary of the Special Victims Unit is handling the prosecution of this case.

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