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Guilty Plea during Jury Trial for Cocaine Possession



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that **DONNELL WASHINGTON**, 39, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Fourth Degree, a Class C Felony, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this afternoon.

On September 11, 2012 on Watervliet Avenue in the City of Albany, members of the Albany Police Department Community Response Unit observed the defendant selling cocaine. When officers arrested the defendant, he was in possession of 8 grams of cocaine.

The jury trial in the matter of the People of the State of New York vs. Donnell Washington was set to begin this morning.

WASHINGTON faces up to 5 years in State Prison, to be followed by 3 years of Post Release Supervision when sentenced on December 2, 2013.

Assistant District Attorney Jasper Mills of the Street Crimes Unit is handling the prosecution of this case.

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