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## Operation Speeding Bullet: Two Defendants Plead Guilty to Weapon Possession



**Polk**



**Sanders**

**ALBANY, NY** - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that two defendants have pleaded guilty to weapons charges.

ELIJAH POLK, 17, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Attempted Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class D Felony, before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court this morning.

On February 20, 2013 while in the area of Quail Street in the City of Albany, POLK possessed a Ruger model 22/45MK handgun loaded with one live round of ammunition and four rounds of ammunition in the magazine.

POLK faces up to 3 years in State Prison followed by 3 years of Post Release Supervision when sentenced on April 17, 2013.

FAREED SANDERS, 25, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class D Felony, before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court this morning.

On February 4, 2013, SANDERS was in a vehicle in the area of North Pearl Street in the City of Albany that was pulled over by members of the Albany Police Department for a broken headlight as well as failure to signal within 100 ft of a turn. Upon approaching the vehicle, officers detected a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle.

Upon a search of the vehicle, officers found 53.3 grams of marijuana. SANDERS admitted to the officers he possessed a .38 caliber colt detective special loaded with six rounds of live ammunition before he was searched.

SANDERS faces 5 years in State Prison followed by 5 years of Post Release Supervision when sentenced on April 17, 2013.

Assistant District Attorney Kurt Haas of the Street Crimes Bureau is handling the prosecution of these cases.

For more information please contact Cecilia Logue.

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