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Predicate Felon Sentenced to 18 Years in State Prison for Assaulting Three Victims with SUV



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that SHANIKQUA THOMAS, 27, of Albany, was sentenced as a Predicate Felon to 18 years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post Release Supervision, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On October 24, 2013, THOMAS pleaded guilty to (3) Counts of Assault in the First Degree, all Class B Violent Felonies.

On August 19, 2013 on Elk Street in the City of Albany, the defendant was involved in an argument between two groups of people. During the argument, the defendant got into the driver's seat of a 1999 Ford Expedition and drove in reverse towards the group of people, striking six victims and causing multiple serious physical injuries to three victims.

The defendant then fled the scene but was apprehended by members of the Albany Police Department. Three victims required emergency surgery as a result of their injuries.

Vehicular Crimes Bureau Chief Mary Tanner-Richter handled the prosecution of this case.

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