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Schenectady Women Found Guilty after Jury Trial of Driving While Intoxicated



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that MALYNDA NORRIS, 28, of Schenectady, was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor, and (1) Count of No/Inadequate Headlights, a Violation, before the Honorable Andrew Sommers in Colonie Town Court on March 27, 2013.

On May 23, 2012, NORRIS was operating a motor vehicle on Central Avenue in the Town of Colonie when she was observed by a member of the Colonie Police Department with her headlights off. When the officer attempted to initiate a traffic stop, NORRIS did not immediately stop and continued driving until she pulled over near the area of New Karner Road and Albany Street.

When NORRIS did pull over, the officer approached the vehicle and detected the odor of alcohol coming from the defendant's breath. NORRIS admitted drinking multiple alcoholic beverages before driving, and failed several field sobriety tests.

NORRIS refused to give a proper breath sample in order to determine her blood alcohol content.

NORRIS faces up to 1 year in the Albany County Correctional Facility when sentenced on June 10, 2013.

Assistant District Attorney Melinda Seiden is handling the prosecution of this case.

For more information please contact Cecilia Logue.

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