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Guilty Plea for Repeat Drug Sales and Using Counterfeit Cash at Local Burger King



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that MALIEM MURPHY, 20, of Schenectady, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, a Class B Felony, before the Honorable Debra J. Young in Albany County Court late yesterday afternoon.

On May 25, 2016, at approximately 8:50 P.M., on Broadway in the City of Albany, an investigation by members of the Albany Police Department caught MURPHY selling a quantity of crack cocaine for a sum of United States Currency.

This guilty plea fully satisfies a separate drug sale charge and a separate criminal possession of a forged instrument charge against MURPHY.

On July 21, 2016, at approximately 6:45 P.M., on Oneida Street in the Town of Cohoes, an investigation by members of the Cohoes Police Department caught MURPHY selling a quantity of crack cocaine for a sum of United States Currency.

Additionally, on August 2, 2016, at approximately 6:30 P.M., on Broadway in the Village of Menands, MURPHY entered a Burger King and paid for food with counterfeit currency. The currency was soon discovered to be counterfeit and was reported to the Menands Police Department. MURPHY was also found to be in possession of 9 additional fake bills taped to his foot.

A separate indictment alleging a Criminal Possession of a Weapon charge against MURPHY remains open and pending at this time.

MURPHY faces 5 1/2 years in State Prison, to be followed by 3 Years of Post Release Supervision, when sentenced on June 15, 2017.

Assistant District Attorney Alexander Scher of the Street Crimes Unit prosecuted this case.

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All parties are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty

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