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Guilty Verdict in Weapon and Drug Possession Case



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that KASEEM POINTER, 42, of Albany, was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class C Armed Violent Felony, (2) Counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Fourth Degree, a Class C Felony, (2) Counts of

Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, a Class B Felony, and (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court.

A jury found that on January 10, 2017, in an apartment in the area of Third Avenue, in the City of Albany, POINTER did knowingly and unlawfully possess a loaded firearm that was reported stolen to the Polk County Sheriff's Office on June 2, 2016. POINTER was previously convicted of attempted murder on August 8, 1995 in Kings County Supreme Court. He also did knowingly and unlawfully possess a sneaker box containing approximately 17.6 grams of crack cocaine and approximately 7.56 grams of heroin.

Additionally, a jury found that on January 20, 2017, while at South Station at Arch Street, in the City of Albany, POINTER did knowingly and unlawfully possess a quantity of cocaine.

As a second violent felony offender, POINTER faces 15 years to life in State Prison when sentenced on December 18, 2017.

Assistant District Attorney Brittany Grome of the Major Offense Unit and Assistant District Attorney Colin D'Arcy of the General Felony Unit prosecuted this case.

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