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Jurors Return Guilty Verdict in Officer Assault Case



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that KASAAD DORSEY, 25, of Albany, was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Assault in the Second Degree, a Class C Violent Felony, before the Honorable Stephen W. Herrick in Albany County Court yesterday afternoon.

An investigation led by the Albany Police Department uncovered that on October 7, 2013, DORSEY went to the Home Depot on Central Avenue in Albany to sell heroin in the parking lot. Police officers attempted to place DORSEY under arrest for drug sales, but DORSEY resisted physically. During this altercation, DORSEY dislocated and tore the ligaments in the detective's ring finger.

At the time of this assault, DORSEY was awaiting sentencing in a separate heroin sale case.

On November 21, 2012 in the Ida Yarborough Apartments in the City of Albany, the defendant was found in possession of 110 bags of heroin with the intent to sell. On September 30, 2013, DORSEY pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Attempted Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, a Class C Felony. DORSEY was sentenced to 3 years in State Prison, to be followed by 3 years of Post Release Supervision, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court on November 29, 2013.

“We want to thank the jury for their service in this case,” commented DA David Soares. “The officer suffered permanent physical injury as a result of the defendant’s actions. Mr. Dorsey will have plenty of time to contemplate a different profession while he serves his time in State Prison.”

DORSEY faces up to 7 years in State Prison when sentenced on November 11, 2014.

Assistant District Attorney Kurt Haas of the Street Crimes Unit is prosecuting this case.

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