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Man Found in Illegal Possession of Several Guns Pleads Guilty



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that MUJAHID BOYD, 25, of Albany, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second

Degree, a Class C Armed Violent Felony, before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court yesterday afternoon.

On September 30, 2017, in the area of South Pearl Street in the City of Albany, officers of the New York State Police initiated a traffic stop after observing a vehicle being driven by BOYD traveling at 91 miles per hour in a 55 mile per hour zone. A subsequent search of the vehicle uncovered a loaded handgun underneath the rear seat inside the vehicle. BOYD confessed that he was in illegal possession of the gun.

In a separate incident on October 6, 2017, in the area of Lexington and Sheridan Avenues in the City of Albany, officers of the Albany Police Department initiated a traffic stop after observing traffic violations from a car being driven by BOYD. BOYD refused to lower the window as officers were approaching the vehicle during the stop. BOYD then drove off at a high rate of speed through a red light and the vehicle struck a pedestrian. The pedestrian sustained minor injuries and made a full recovery. BOYD was apprehended nearby. The Albany Police Department executed a search warrant at BOYD's residence and recovered a loaded handgun and a loaded shotgun determined to be illegally possessed by BOYD.

BOYD faces 9 to 11 years in State Prison, to be followed by 2 ½ years of Post-Release Supervision, when sentenced on August 28, 2018.

Assistant District Attorney Megan Spillane of the Street Crimes Unit is handling the prosecution of this case.

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