

Department of Justice Highlights Include Guilty Verdict in Shooting and Guilty Plea for Heroin Trafficking

WILMINGTON, DE – Deputy Attorneys General within the Delaware Department of Justice had several significant successes last week.

Trial success:

Deputy Attorney General Sonia Augusthy secured a conviction against 26-year-old Marcus Rosser of New Castle, in a jury trial on first degree assault, first degree robbery, two counts of possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony, and possession of a firearm by a person prohibited. Rosser shot a man during a drug deal at the Georgetown Manor Apartments on Christiana Road in New Castle in July 2013, and later that same night robbed another man.

Deputy Attorney General Kelly Breen secured a guilty verdict against Keith Berry, 28, of Wilmington, for resisting arrest. During a motor vehicle stop for loud music in September 2014, Berry became disorderly and refused to comply with officers' requests.

Sentencing success:

Deputy Attorneys General Sonia Augusthy and Phillip Casale secured guilty pleas from Antonio Glover, 37, of Wilmington, for drug dealing, and possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony. After receiving a tip, officers found drugs and guns. Glover was sentenced to a minimum mandatory of

three years in prison.

Resolution success:

Deputy Attorneys General Mark Denney, Jamie McCloskey, and Allison Abessinio secured a guilty plea from William Barksdale, 35, of Wilmington, to super-weight drug dealing and possession of a firearm by a person prohibited. Barksdale was the leader of the heroin trafficking activity at the Silver Springs Apartment complex in 2013 and 2014. He faces sentencing as a habitual offender in August.

Deputy Attorney General Jenna Milecki secured guilty pleas for second degree burglary and theft, from 23-year-old Scotty O'Brien, of Wilmington. In September 2014, O'Brien broke into a home in the 400 block of Lore Avenue in Wilmington, and took a number of items. O'Brien faces a one year minimum mandatory sentence, but could receive up to nine years in prison.

Deputy Attorneys General Kelly Breen and Danielle Brennan secured a guilty plea from Richard Weddington, 46, of New Castle, for attempted robbery, and possession of a deadly weapon by a person prohibited. In September 2014, Weddington walked into the Rite Aid Drug Store in the 2000 block of New Castle Avenue in New Castle, displayed a knife, and demanded money. Weddington ran from the store before getting any money. A habitual offender motion will be filed, resulting in a mandatory 28-year prison sentence for the attempted robbery.

Deputy Attorneys General Matthew Frawley and Phillip Casale secured a guilty plea from Andrew Flach, 25, of Galena, Maryland for first degree attempted robbery. In August 2014, Flach tried to steal the purse from a 71-year-old woman in the parking lot of the Dove Run Shopping Center in Middletown. Immediately following his plea, Flach was sentenced to the minimum mandatory three years in prison.