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OLIVEBRIDGE MAN SENTENCED FOLLOWING PLEA OF ATTEMPTED MURDER IN THE SECOND DEGREE IN BRUTAL DECEMBER 2022 BEATING

On Monday September 18, 2023, Michael Latimore, age 40, of Olivebridge, New York, was sentenced by the Honorable Bryan Rounds to 12 years' state prison to be followed by five years' post-release supervision following his June 21, 2023 plea of guilty to Attempted Murder in the Second Degree.

On December 30, 2022, in the Town of Rochester, Defendant attacked the victim, hitting him repeatedly in the head with a hammer. When police arrived on scene, the victim was bleeding severely from his head injuries and had to be airlifted to Albany Medical Center. After attacking the victim, the defendant sent a text message that the victim had a "hammer put through his skull." Defendant also told a witness that he had been using drugs with the victim and snapped at a comment about his late wife. The investigation was led by the New York State Police Ellenville.

"Violent crime is a priority for this office, and we will take every measure to bring justice to victims and their loved ones and seek accountability for such violent offenders," said **Assistant District Attorney Paul Derohannesian**, who serves as Bureau Chief of the General Felonies and DWI Unit.

The case was prosecuted by ADA Derohannesian. The defendant was represented by the Office of the Ulster County Public Defender.

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