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PRESS RELEASE

STATE IN THE INTEREST OF STEVEN A. BLACK, JR., CHRISTOPHER SZIPOCS, GABRIELLA DEFILLIPPIS, TYLER COLTELLI, AND GEORGE "ROBBIE" SWIERAT

Steven A. Black, Jr.
DOB: 9/18/91
Age: 15
Address: Washington, Warren County, New Jersey

On June 29, 2007, the Honorable Ann Bartlett sentenced a juvenile, Steven A. Black, Jr. 15, to one (1) year deferred disposition on one (1) count of Burglary, a third degree offense. As conditions of the deferred disposition, the judge ordered the following:

- (1) Tour Warren Acres,
- (2) Perform 30 hours of community service,
- (3) Have no contact with the co-juveniles involved in the incident,
- (4) Pay a \$30.00 Violent Crimes Compensation Board Penalty,
- (5) Pay a \$15.00 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Education Fund penalty.
- (6) Pay \$538.77 restitution for damages,
- (7) Write a letter of apology to Washington Borough community,
- (8) Obtain and maintain a job; part time if in school, full time otherwise,

Black plead guilty to one (1) count of Burglary, a third degree offense. The charges resulted from an investigation by the Washington Borough Police Department. On March 11, 2007, Black and two other juveniles entered the Washington Borough pool house through the roof, damaged the ceiling in the process, and stole numerous items.

The third degree offense carries a potential maximum sentence of two (2) years in the State Correctional Facility for Juveniles. If the juvenile successfully completes the terms of his deferred disposition, the charges will be dismissed.

The matter was handled by Christine Finnegan, Esq., on behalf of the juvenile and Dit Mosco, Assistant Prosecutor on behalf of the State.

Christopher J. Szipocs

DOB: 01/28/1991

Age: 15

Address: Washington Borough, Warren County, New Jersey

On June 26, 2007, the Honorable Ann R. Bartlett sentenced a juvenile, Christopher J. Szipocs, age 15, to eighteen (18) days detention in the Warren Acres Juvenile Detention Center on one (1) count of aggravated assault. The judge also ordered the juvenile to:

- (1) Provide a DNA sample,
- (2) Undergo fingerprinting,
- (3) Pay a \$30.00 Violent Crimes Compensation Board Penalty, and
- (4) Pay a \$15.00 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Education Fund penalty.

Szipocs plead guilty to one (1) count aggravated assault. The charge resulted from an investigation by the Washington Township Police Department which revealed that on November 28, 2006, Szipocs pushed an employee of the Warren Hills High School while she was performing her duties as a school resource officer.

This fourth degree offense carries a potential maximum sentence of one (1) years in the State Correctional Facility for Juveniles.

The matter was handled by Christine Finnegan, Esq., on behalf of the juvenile and Dit Mosco, Assistant Prosecutor on behalf of the State.

Gabriella Defillippis

DOB: 2/24/93

Age: 14

Address: Washington Borough, Warren County, New Jersey

On June 26, 2007, the Honorable Ann R. Bartlett sentenced a juvenile, Gabriella Defillippis, age 14, to one (1) year deferred disposition on one (1) count of theft, a third degree offense. As conditions of the deferred disposition, the judge ordered the following:

- (1) Tour Warren Acres,
- (2) Perform 30 hours of community service,
- (3) Undergo a substance abuse evaluation and complete any recommended treatment,
- (4) Have no contact with the co-juvenile involved in the incident,
- (5) Pay a \$30.00 Violent Crimes Compensation Board Penalty,
- (6) Pay a \$15.00 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Education Fund penalty.
- (7) Pay restitution to the victim

Defillippis plead guilty to one (1) count of theft, a third degree offense. The charges resulted from an investigation by the Washington Borough Police Department which revealed that on April 14, 2007, Defillippis stole \$700.00 from her mother's purse which she and another juvenile spent.

The third degree offense carries a potential maximum sentence of two (2) years in the State Correctional Facility for Juveniles. If the juvenile successfully completes the terms of his deferred disposition, the charges will be dismissed.

The matter was handled by Bryan Grace, Esq., on behalf of the juvenile and Dit Mosco, Assistant Prosecutor on behalf of the State.

Tyler Coltelli

DOB: 4/4/92

Age: 14

Address: Columbia, Warren County, New Jersey

On June 26, 2007, the Honorable Ann R. Bartlett sentenced a juvenile, Tyler Coltelli, age 14 to (1) year probation on one (1) count of possession of heroin, which is a third degree offense. As conditions of probation, the judge ordered the following:

- (1) Spend fifteen days in Warren Acres; eleven days to be suspended,
- (2) Provide a DNA sample,
- (3) Undergo fingerprinting,
- (4) Perform 100 hours of community service,
- (5) Undergo a substance abuse evaluation and complete any recommended follow-up treatment.
- (6) Pay a \$30.00 Violent Crimes Compensation Board Penalty,
- (7) Pay a \$15.00 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Education Fund penalty,
- (8) Pay a \$25.00 forensic lab fee,
- (9) Pay a \$ 1,000.00 DEDR penalty,
- (10) Testify fully and truthfully against his adult co-defendant, and
- (11) Have his driving privileges suspended six months from the time he is eligible to get a driver's license.

Coltelli plead guilty to one (1) count of possession of heroin, a third degree offense. The charge resulted from an investigation by the New Jersey State Police Washington which revealed the following: On May 9, 2007, North Warren Regional High School officials searched Coltelli because they suspected he was under the influence of drugs. Coltelli removed six decks of heroin from his pocket.

This third degree offense carries a potential maximum sentence of two (2) years in the State Correctional Facility for Juveniles.

The matter was handled by Richard Keiling, Esq., on behalf of the juvenile and Dit Mosco, Assistant Prosecutor, on behalf of the State.

George "Robbie" Swierat

DOB: 2/22/92

Age: 15

Address: Washington, Warren County, New Jersey

On June 29, 2007, the Honorable Ann Bartlett sentenced a juvenile, George "Robbie" Swierat 15, to probation until his eighteenth birthday on twelve (12) counts of Burglary, third degree offenses. As conditions of probation, the judge ordered the following:

- (2) Spend two (2) years in Jamesburg, the State Correctional Facility for Juveniles. The incarceration is suspended if the juvenile successfully completes all terms of his probation,
- (2) Perform 30 days of community service,
- (3) Have no contact with the co-juveniles and co-defendants involved in the incident,
- (2) Provide a DNA sample,
- (3) Undergo fingerprinting,
- (5) Pay 12 \$30.00 Violent Crimes Compensation Board Penalties,
- (6) Pay a \$15.00 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Education Fund penalty.
- (7) Attend school and obey school rules or obtain a GED.

Swierat plead guilty to twelve (12) counts of Burglary, a third degree offense. The charges resulted from investigations by the New Jersey State Police, Washington Township, Morris County and the Washington Borough, Warren County, Police Departments which revealed the following: On December 6, 2006, Swierat, another juvenile, and two adult co-defendants unlawfully entered several automobiles in Washington Township, Morris County. On December 12, 2006, Swierat unlawfully entered an automobile in Washington Borough, Warren County.

These third degree offenses carry a potential maximum sentence of two (2) years in the State Correctional Facility for Juveniles.

The matter was handled by Christine Finnegan, Esq., on behalf of the juvenile and Dit Mosco, Assistant Prosecutor on behalf of the State.

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