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NEWS RELEASE

Richard S. Hartunian, United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York, announced today a Syracuse man has pled guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition.

Eugene Singletary, 36, pled guilty in federal court in Syracuse to being a convicted felon who possessed a handgun and ammunition. On March 10, 2011, Syracuse Police arrested Singletary on Gifford Street in Syracuse after responding to a 911 call concerning a domestic disturbance involving a handgun. Upon their arrival, a .44 caliber revolver was found at the location. A subsequent examination revealed Singletary's fingerprints on the handgun. In addition, .44 caliber magnum cartridges were found in Singletary's pants pockets at the time of his arrest.

Singletary had previously been convicted of Attempted Assault in the Second Degree in Kings County, New York on July 15, 1999. Additionally, he was convicted of Robbery in the Third Degree in Kings County, New York on November 14, 1994.

United States District Court Judge David N. Hurd scheduled sentencing for January 13, 2012 at 2:00 pm in Utica, New York. Singletary faces a maximum penalty of twenty years imprisonment and a fine of \$500,000.

The case was investigated by the Syracuse Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The case is being prosecuted by Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney John G. Duncan. EAUSA John G. Duncan can be reached at 448-0672.