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## **NEWS RELEASE**

United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian announced today that a Watertown man pled guilty to bank robbery on November 3, 2011.

William Clarence Haymond Pitoniak, 38, formerly of 159 Mullin Street, Watertown, New York, admitted today that he robbed the Key Bank at 1308 Washington Street on June 16, 2011. During the robbery no weapon was displayed. Pitoniak was apprehended by members of the Watertown Police Department following a brief car chase during his flight from the scene of the robbery.

United States District Court Judge David N. Hurd scheduled sentencing for April 6, 2012 at 2:00 pm in Utica, New York. According to the terms of the defendant's agreement with prosecutors, Pitoniak faces a sentence of 48 months imprisonment to be followed by three years of supervised release and restitution to Key Bank of \$15,773.00.

The case was investigated by the Watertown Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Edward R. Broton.