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FORMER JAIL GUARD PLEADS GUILTY TO STEROIDS CHARGES

BUFFALO, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Michael Trautmann, 49, of Cheektowaga, N.Y., pleaded guilty before Chief U.S. District Judge William M. Skretny, to distributing anabolic steroids. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison, a fine of \$500,000 or both.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael L. McCabe, who is handling the case, in the fall of 2010, Trautmann obtained and distributed steroids while employed as a Detention Officer at the Buffalo Federal Detention Facility in Batavia.

The plea is the culmination of an investigation on the part of Special Agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Christopher M. Piehota and the Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Inspector General under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Gregory Null.

Sentencing is scheduled for August 9, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. before Judge Skretny.

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