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Darius Hill Pleads Guilty to Four Counts of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree and Ava McGinnis Pleads Guilty to Attempted Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree

Rochester, NY- On Thursday, July 12, 26-year-old Darius Hill pled guilty to four counts of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree for incidents that occurred in February and March of 2018. Co-defendant, 22-year-old Ava McGinnis pled guilty to Attempted Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree.

On four separate instances, February 11, February 16, March 8 and March 15, 2018, Hill sold fentanyl to undercover police officers of the Monroe County Heroin Task Force. When the police executed a search warrant at 41 Leo Street in the City of Rochester, the home of Ava McGinnis, who was romantically linked to Hill, they discovered about 20 grams of fentanyl in her bedroom. Hill will be sentenced to 8 years in the New York State Department of Corrections with 3 years post release supervision. McGinnis will be sentenced to 5 years in the New York State Department of Corrections with 2 years post release supervision.

The case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Hyatt, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

“This admission is the result of the hard work of the Monroe County Heroin Task Force and Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Hyatt,” said Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “The Task Force was developed to combat the serious drug epidemic our community faces and we hope to continue to have more victories like this one in an effort to remove fentanyl and other deadly drugs from our streets.”

Darius Hill and Ava McGinnis will be sentenced on August 9, in front of County Court Judge Dinolfo.

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