

**News Release from
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Jennifer Merrow found guilty of Assault in the Second Degree and DWI

Rochester, NY- Today, a Monroe County Jury found 32 year old Jennifer Merrow guilty of Assault in the Second Degree and Driving While Intoxicated. On December 19, 2014, Merrow was driving near the intersection of Dewey Avenue and West Ridge Road. At that intersection, Merrow caused a three car accident when she rear ended a vehicle that was waiting at a red light. At the scene of the accident, Merrow failed field sobriety tests. When officers at the scene tried to obtain information from Merrow in order to secure her a safe ride home, she refused to provide any information. As a result, she was taken to the Monroe County Jail for processing. While being processed, Jennifer Merrow assaulted a Monroe County Jail Deputy, ripping her hair out and spraining the Deputy's neck.

The case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Christine K. Callanan of the Major Felony Bureau.

“Jennifer Merrow’s behavior on December 19, 2014 demonstrates her complete disregard for the safety of this community. This case is a reminder of the real dangers faced by Police Officers and Jail Deputies on a daily basis. The defendant’s conduct on the roadways and in the jail shows her lack of respect for others and their safety,” said Assistant District Attorney Christine K. Callanan. “Merrow will now be held accountable for her actions.”

Jennifer Merrow is scheduled to be sentenced by Judge Douglas Randall on January 12, 2015. Merrow faces a possible sentence of up to seven years in the Department of Corrections.

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