

**News Release from
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James Brissle Metales Found Guilty of an Unprovoked Assault of a Police Officer

Rochester, NY- Yesterday, a Monroe County Jury found 32 year old James Brissle Metales guilty of Assault in the Second Degree for an attack that occurred on September 9, 2014 at 762 Joseph Avenue. On that day, a Rochester Police Department Investigator responded to a call for shots fired in the area when he was confronted by James Brissle Metales. The officer identified himself as a police officer and showed his credentials. When the defendant became aggressive, the Investigator walked away to contact other officers. As the Investigator had his back turned, James Brissle Metales followed behind him and threatened to kill him. During the fight, the Investigator suffered physical injuries but was able to subdue the defendant. The defendant was not a suspect in the original shots fired call, and his motivation for the confrontation appears personal.

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

“The Investigator in this case did everything in his power to de-escalate this situation. This defendant’s brazen attack on a member of the Rochester Police Department serves as a stark reminder of the dangers that men and women in law enforcement face on a daily basis,” said Assistant District Attorney Christine K. Callanan.

James Brissle Metales is scheduled to be sentenced by Justice Alex Renzi on July 22, 2015. At which time he will be sentenced as a Second Violent Felony Offender to a determinate term of up to 7 years in the Department of Corrections.

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