## News Release from The Honorable Sandra Doorley

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## Bruce D. Smith Convicted of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree

Rochester, NY- Friday, a Monroe County Jury found 36 year old Bruce D. Smith guilty of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree for possessing a loaded 9mm semiautomatic Smith and Wesson pistol. On March 26, 2014, the Rochester Police Department and the Rochester Fire Department Arson Taskforce conducted a search warrant at 277 Colvin Street in the City of Rochester. On that day, the firearm was found in a sentry safe in the defendant's bedroom, along with ammunition and a shoulder holster. The serial number on the gun was obliterated. Smith has a prior Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree for possessing a loaded illegal firearm in his home.

The case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Greg Clark of the Special Investigations Bureau.

"Bruce Smith is among a growing number of people who possess illegal, often stolen firearms. It is our hope that this conviction and others like it will send a message to those in this community choosing to break the law by possessing illegal firearms." said Assistant District Attorney Greg Clark. "With this conviction, Bruce Smith faces a minimum of 3 ½ and a maximum of 15 years in State Prison."."

Bruce Smith will be sentenced by Judge Christopher Ciaccio on October 28, 2015.

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