## News Release from The Honorable Sandra Doorley

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Rochester, NY- Yesterday, County Court Judge Victoria Argento sentenced the owner of Cahoon Contruction Company to 2 to 6 years in State Prison. A jury convicted 36 year old John Cahoon of Grand Larceny in the Third Degree on February 1, 2016.

Victim John Gigliotti of Ogden contracted with John Cahoon & Cahoon Construction Company to build him a home in the Town of Ogden. The victim made the initial payments required by the contract. However, the funds were never placed in an escrow account in a bank as required by law. Instead, Cahoon began embezzling the funds - using them for his personal use rather than the construction.

The case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney James Egan of the Economic Crime Bureau.

"This sentence sends a strong message to throughout our community. Economic crime can be both financially and emotionally destructive to the victim and will not be taken lightly by our courts," said Senior Assistant District Attorney James Egan. "It is our hope that with this sentence, the victim can begin to put his life back together."

Judge Argento adjourned the case for a restitution hearing on April 28, 2016.