

Finger Lakes Drug Task Force

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Media Release

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Date of Incident: October 18th, 2023

Incident: Seizure of stolen handgun, body armor, narcotics and arrest of 2 subjects.

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Investigators of the Finger Lakes Drug Task Force (FLDTF) have been investigating the illegal possession, sales and distribution of narcotics and illegal synthetic substances that have been being conducted by Timothy P. Martin in the County of Cayuga. Investigators of the FLDTF were able to obtain a court authorized search warrant for the person of Timothy P. Martin, his vehicle and his residence that is located in the County of Cayuga.

On October 18th, 2023 at about 1:30 A.M., Investigators conducted a vehicle and traffic stop on Martin's vehicle in the City of Auburn and detained the driver, Timothy P. Martin and the passenger, Lindsay M. Mitchell. A court authorized search of Martin's vehicle and residence were conducted and Investigators located a loaded semi-automatic handgun, 12-gauge shotgun, body armor, metal knuckles, over 100 glassine envelopes of fentanyl, 35 grams of methamphetamine, over 10 ounces of Dimethylpentylone (a synthetic or designer street drug commonly known as "molly"), digital weighing scales, and packaging commonly utilized in the distribution of street level quantities of narcotics. The loaded semi-automatic handgun was later determined to be reported as stolen out of Vestal, NY.

As a result, Timothy P. Martin was charged with Criminal possession of a weapon in the 2nd degree (Class C-Felony- for the possession of a loaded semi-automatic handgun), Criminal possession of a controlled substance in the 3rd degree (Class B-Felony- for the possession of methamphetamine with intent to sell), Criminal possession of a controlled substance in the 3rd degree (Class B-Felony- for the possession of fentanyl with the intent to sell), Public Health Law Imitation controlled substances (Class A-Misdemeanor- for the possession of Dimethylpentylone with intent to sell), and Unlawful purchase of body armor (Class A-Misdemeanor- for taking possession of body armor). Martin was remanded to the custody of Cayuga County Jail.

Additionally, Lindsay M. Mitchell was charged with Criminal possession of a weapon in the 3rd degree (Class D-Felony- for the possession of metal knuckles and due to a previous conviction), Criminal possession of a controlled substance in the 7th degree (Class A-Misdemeanor- for the possession of fentanyl), and Public Health Law Imitation of controlled substances (Class A-Misdemeanor- for possession of Dimethylpentylone with intent to sell). Mitchell was remanded to the custody of Cayuga County Jail.

The FLDTF is comprised of members of the New York State Police, Cayuga County Sheriff's Office and Auburn Police Department. The FLDTF was also assisted by the Auburn Police Department's Gun Involved Violence Elimination Team (GIVE). The Cayuga County District Attorney's Office will be prosecuting the case. Anyone with additional information can call the FLDTF at 315-282-7540.

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Timothy P. Martin, 37 years of age Auburn, NY



Lindsay M. Mitchell, 30 years of age Weedsport, NY