Clinton County Sheriff's Office
News Release

TO: AREA NEWS

REPORTED BY: Deputy T. Condlin

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SUBJECT OF RELEASE: Personal Injury Accident/Felony Arrest

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NAMES OF ARRESTEE: Matthew J. Sessums

AGE-SEX: 24/Male

ADDRESS: Plattsburgh, NY

CHARGES: Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 1st Degree (E-Felony) VTL 511.3A
        Aggravated DWI BAC .18 or Greater (U-Misd) VTL 1192.2AA
        Driving while Intoxicated (U-Misd) VTL 1192.3
        Moved from Lane Unsafely (Traf) VTL 1128.A
        Unlicensed Operation (Traf) VTL 509.1

DATE AND TIME OF ACCIDENT: 11/14/2016   5:11pm

NARRATIVE: On the above date and time, Sheriff's Deputies responded to Route 9 in the Town of Plattsburgh for report of a one car rollover. Investigation at the scene determined that Matthew J. Sessums had allegedly been operating a 2006 Pontiac north on Route 9 near Poirier's True Value, when he exited the eastern side of the roadway striking a utility pole before coming to a rest in a wooded area. Further investigation revealed Sessums had allegedly operated the vehicle while in an intoxicated condition with a BAC greater than .18%. Sessums was also allegedly operating the vehicle with active suspensions and revocations to his license in connection with a prior conviction for driving while ability impaired by alcohol, which resulted in the felony charge for Aggravated Unlicensed Operation, 1st Degree.

DISPOSITION: Sessums was transported to UVM CVPH Medical Center for treatment of minor injuries and discharged. Upon his release, he was processed at the Sheriff's Office and arraigned in Town of Plattsburgh Court, after which he was committed to Clinton County Correctional Facility in lieu of $500 cash bail, $1,000 secured bond. He is set to appear in Town of Plattsburgh Court on a later date. Deputies were assisted at the accident scene by UVM CVPH EMS and Cumberland Head Fire Department and EMS. Sessums vehicle was towed from the scene. The investigation is ongoing and more charges may be forthcoming.