

Clinton County Sheriffs' Office

News Release

TO: AREA NEWS

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SUBJECT OF RELEASE: Felony Arrest

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NAME OF ARRESTEE: Yaazziel Q. Rivera

ADDRESS: Keeseville, NY

AGE-SEX: 30/Male

CHARGES:

Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3rd – Intent to Sell (B-Felony) PL 220.16(1)

Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd – Loaded Firearm (C-Felony) PL 265.03(3)

Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 3rd (D-Felony) PL 165.50

Criminal Possession of a Firearm (E-Felony) PL 265.01(B)(1)

Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4th (A-Misd) PL 265.01(4)

Unlawful Fleeing a Police Officer 3rd Degree (A-Misd) PL 270.25

Reckless Driving (U-Misd) VTL 1212

Driving while Ability Impaired by Drugs (U-Misd) VTL 1192.4

Multiple other Traffic Infractions

DATE AND TIME OF ARREST: 11/24/2023 at 8:10pm

NARRATIVE: On November 24, 2023, at around 8:05pm, Clinton County Sheriff's Deputies attempted to initiate a traffic stop on a stolen vehicle on Commodore Thomas McDonough Highway in the Town of Plattsburgh. It's alleged the vehicle failed to comply with Deputies attempt to stop it and led Deputies on a pursuit that ended on Route 22 in the Town of Beekmantown after the vehicle left the eastern side of the roadway near the intersection of Durand Road and collided with a tree. The operator and sole occupant of the vehicle, Yaazziel Q. Rivera, was then taken into custody at the scene. Further investigation revealed Rivera was allegedly found to be in possession of an amount of a controlled substance, a loaded handgun and a shotgun. It's also alleged Rivera was prohibited from possessing the weapons due to prior felony convictions in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Deputies also determined River was allegedly operating the vehicle while impaired by drugs.

DISPOSITION: Rivera was processed at the Sheriff's Office and arraigned in Plattsburgh Town Court on the above listed charges. Following arraignment, Rivera was committed to Clinton County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$40,000.00 cash bail, \$80,000.00 secured bond and \$160,000.00 unsecured bond. He is set to

reappear in Plattsburgh Town Court on a later date. Deputies were assisted at the scene by New York State Police.