

# *Delaware County Sheriff's Office*



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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Following a series of investigations into the on-going sales of heroin and other illicit drugs in Delaware County, Delaware County Sheriff Tom Mills on Friday announced the following arrests:

Thursday morning Gerard F. Johnson, 31, of East Street, Walton, was indicted by a Delaware County Grand Jury following a narcotics investigation conducted by members of the Sheriff's Criminal Investigation Division and charged with one (1) count of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, a class B felony, in relation to the sale of heroin that occurred in the Village of Walton during the month of June 2014.

Johnson was arrested by Sheriff's Investigators on Thursday afternoon and arraigned on Friday, July 18th 2014 in Delaware County Court. Johnson was remanded to the Delaware County Correctional Facility and held without bail pending future court appearances.

Johnson had been previously arrested of June 14th 2013 by Delaware County Sheriff's Office Investigators on a sealed indictment warrant charging him with three counts of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree all class "B" Felonies. As a result of that arrest, on 9/16/13 Johnson was convicted in Delaware County Court for Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree and Endangering the Welfare of a Child and was sentenced to five years of probation for the felony charge, and three years of probation to run concurrent on the misdemeanor charge. He was also fined twenty five hundred (\$2500.00) dollars.

**As a potential second felony drug offender, upon conviction Johnson faces a possible sentence of 12 years of incarceration in State Prison.**

**Cindy A. Manon, 41, of Arkville was indicted by a Delaware County Grand Jury following a narcotics investigation conducted by members of the Sheriff's Criminal Investigation Division. Manon was charged with three counts of Criminal Sale of a controlled Substance in the 4th Degree, a Class "C" felony, in relation to three sales of SUBOXONE that occurred in the Hamlet of Arkville.**

**Manon arrested on Thursday afternoon by Sheriff's Deputies assisted by the New York State Police. On Friday morning, Manon was arraigned in Delaware County Court and was remanded to the Delaware County Correctional Facility to be held without bail pending future court appearances.**

**If convicted on the charges, Manon faces a possible sentence of 5 ½ years of incarceration on each charge in State Prison.**

**On the recent spike in arrests, Undersheriff Craig DuMond stated "we are absolutely committed to work tirelessly to remove drug dealers from our communities in Delaware County...they have no business here, spreading their poison, compromising our safety and ruining our way of life". He encourages citizens to continue to report suspected drug activity to the Sheriff's TIP Line at 1-888-914-9111. "Tips have been an important part of our investigations and that partnership has been very effective in helping us root dealers out of Delaware County".**