

**News Release from  
The Honorable Sandra Doorley  
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**Samuel J. Smith Indicted for Attempted Murder**

Rochester, NY- On Friday, a Monroe County Grand Jury indicted Samuel J. Smith, 23, on charges of Attempted Murder in the Second Degree, Assault in the First Degree, and Criminal Use of a Firearm in the First Degree for his involvement in a May 20<sup>th</sup> shooting that seriously wounded a 17 year old female on Danforth Street in the City of Rochester. At 3:30pm on that date, Smith produced a handgun and fired at the victim—who was pregnant—striking her in the upper abdomen. The woman was rushed to Strong Memorial Hospital, where she was received emergency treatment and was stabilized. Smith, who fled the scene after the shooting, was apprehended days later by investigators of the Rochester Police Department, who worked closely with members of the community to identify and locate the defendant. Both the woman and her unborn child survived the attack and were released recently from the hospital after three weeks of treatment.

First Assistant District Attorney Kelly Wolford is prosecuting the case for the People.

“Anyone who would produce a handgun and shoot another person in the street in broad daylight is clearly a threat to the community, but to perpetrate such a crime against an unarmed, pregnant woman is particularly callous,” said Wolford. “Samuel Smith’s alleged actions are those of a person with no regard for the lives of others, and I look forward to prosecuting him and helping to make our streets safer.”

Samuel Smith remains held in Monroe County jail on \$100,000 bail of \$250,000 bond. He will be arraigned on the charges June 19<sup>th</sup>.

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