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Press Release

York County Drug Task Force Arrests Three for Drug and Gun Offenses

York, PA – On Wednesday morning, September 16, 2020 investigators from the York County Drug Task Force and York City Police Department concluded a three week investigation when they arrested Joshua Lemar Andino, age 32, who resides in the 1000 block of W. Princess St. in the City of York.

On that date investigators served a search warrant at Andino's second floor apartment. As officers were making entry into the residence Andino placed quantities of heroin through an open window onto a roof. Located in Andino's bedroom were two handguns (an SCCY 9 mm and an M&P 380) and \$1,100 cash. Due to Andino's past criminal convictions, he is not allowed to possess a firearm.

The heroin recovered from the roof was found to be individually packaged for sale as well as one larger bag of loose heroin, totaling 70 grams.

Andino was charged with Drug Distribution Offenses as well firearms violations and was committed to the York County Prison.

Later that morning, in a separate investigation, Drug Task Force and York City Police officers developed information that Cadezia Ford, age 36 and Kelly Marie Farrell, age 32 both of the 200 block of W. Jackson St., were to be close to their home and in possession of heroin and a handgun. Police were aware that Ford is not allowed to

possess a firearm due to past criminal history and that there had been two bench warrants issued for her arrest.

Upon arriving on the 200 block of W. Jackson St. police officers observed Farrell and Ford getting into a vehicle. As police officers were taking the pair into custody, Ford struggled with them when they attempted to remove the handgun, a 9mm Ruger, from her person. Located on their person and among their belongings in the vehicle were 80 bags of heroin packaged for sale, a larger bag of loose heroin, numerous prescription pills and \$1,140 cash.

Ford was charged with Resisting Arrest and Firearms violations. Farrell was charged with Drug Distribution offenses.

District Attorney David Sunday stated that he was pleased with the day's success. "Every illegally possessed handgun that we remove from the streets of York County pays future dividends by keeping our citizens and police officers safe," he commented. Further, he commended police officers for tirelessly pursuing drug dealers and those persons who threaten York County communities with firearms. "There is only one reason a drug dealer possesses a handgun. To protect himself or herself, and their illegally possessed drugs," Sunday said.

Assisting with this investigation was the York County Sheriff's Office K9 unit, the United States Marshal's Fugitive Task Force and York City Police Patrol officers.

Criminal charges, and any discussion thereof, are merely allegations and all defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.