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## **ONEONTA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

The City of Oneonta Police Department has arrested a person in connection with the NBT bank robbery that occurred at 1 Wall Street in the City of Oneonta on December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Elijah Vergari (age 29) of Oneonta, NY was developed as a suspect. The results of the investigation were presented in front of an Otsego County Grand Jury by the Otsego County District Attorney's Office. An indictment was handed down by the Grand Jury for the arrest of Vergari in connection to the case presented.

On Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Mr. Vergari was delivered to the Otsego County Court on the indictment. The Honorable Judge Michael Getman presided over the arraignment for the New York State Penal Law statute of Robbery in the third degree. Due to the existence of pending felony charges in Delaware County, bail was set for the accused at \$10,000.00 cash bail and he was remanded to the custody of the Otsego County Sheriff.

The Oneonta Police Department worked in conjunction with the New York State Police Forensic ID unit, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Investigations, and NBT bank security services.