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TO: Press Sources

DATE OF INCIDENT: April 7, 2011

LOCATION: 4276 Albany Post Rd., Hyde Park (Molloy's Pharmacy)

INCIDENT: Suspect charged with trying to fill forged prescription; investigation continues

Last Wednesday just before 7 PM, Hyde Park Police were called to Molloy's Pharmacy on Route 9 in Hyde Park, for a report of possible fraudulent activity. Upon arrival, officers learned of the following account: an alert employee of the pharmacy had suspected that a man was attempting to fill a prescription that appeared to be forged. A subsequent investigation revealed that the prescription was in fact a forged instrument; the suspect, later identified as 28-year-old Christopher Casciotta of Brooklyn, was taken into custody.

The investigation into this incident revealed that this may not have been the first time, or the first location, that the suspect may have attempted this crime. Two other local police agencies were contacted in regards to this, and that aspect of the investigation is continuing.

Casciotta was booked at Hyde Park Police HQ, and was arraigned late Wednesday evening in front of the Hon. Judge Steinberg. He was remanded to the Dutchess County Jail on \$2,000 cash / \$4,000 bond, with a return date of April 12th in Hyde Park Town Court.

Arrested: Christopher D. Casciotta, 28, of 1551 71st St., Apt. 6, Brooklyn, NY

Charges: Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument 2nd Degree, a Class D Felony
Conspiracy 5th Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor

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