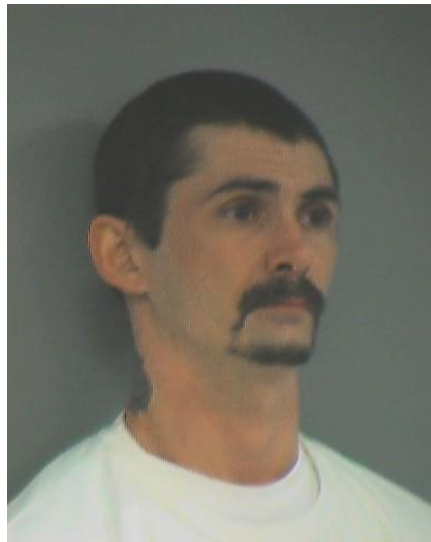




PRESS RELEASE



Richard M. Brundige Jr.

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A Plattsburgh man with an extensive criminal history, accused of strangling his domestic partner, is one of the first people in Clinton County to test a brand-new law in New York State specific to domestic violence.

The new law, which came into effect Nov. 11, takes the act of strangling a domestic partner and makes it a felony in certain circumstances.

32-year-old Richard Brundige Jr. was arrested at his residence by Deputies from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office on Thursday November 25, 2010 around 11:00p.m. after deputies received a complaint that Brundige allegedly strangled a female acquaintance during a domestic dispute in the days leading up to his arrest.

Brundige is also accused of abusing the same female acquaintance several times over the last month. During the arrest deputies recovered a firearm from Brundige's residence.

Deputies charged Brundige with felony criminal possession of a weapon, felony second degree strangulation and three other misdemeanors: unlawful imprisonment, assault and menacing.

Brundige was arraigned in Plattsburgh Town Court and sent to the Clinton County Jail without bail. He will reappear in Plattsburgh Town Court at a later date to face the charges.

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