

## **BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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## **BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PRESS RELEASE**

## <u>Felony Possession of a Firearm, Child Endangerment</u> <u>and Drug Possession Charges in the Town of Chenango</u>

(TOWN OF CHENANGO, NY) A Town of Chenango man is facing two felonies and ten misdemeanors after photos and video of himself wielding a handgun led to an investigation by the Broome County Sheriff's Office.

On Saturday, March 23, 2024 at approximately 6:45 PM, Broome County Sheriff's Office patrols responded to a Suspicious Incident complaint involving photos and video sent by Michael S. Shaheen, age 39 of Binghamton, NY. The photos and video depicted Shaheen wielding a handgun and making statements that caused the individual receiving them to request an Extreme Risk Protection Order from the Town of Chenango Court, which was granted.

While the ERPO was being served by BCSO patrols, Shaheen was also found to be in possession of the following:

- A Polymer80 9mm semi-automatic handgun without a serial number
- A full, 10 round magazine and a box of ammunition containing 15 rounds
- 82.4g (2.91 oz) of a substance that field tested positive for Methamphetamine
- Numerous other narcotics, including Adderall, Xanax, amphetamine pills
- 6.5g of Cocaine
- Individually wrapped pills identified as MDMA
- A digital scale and packing materials

The weapons and narcotics were stored in a location that was accessible to children living in the residence.

Following the investigation, Michael S. Shaheen was charged with the following:

- Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree (Defaced for Concealment), a Class D Felony
- Criminal Possession of a Firearm, a Class E Felony
- Two Counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child, a Class A Misdemeanor
- Six Counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 7<sup>th</sup> Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor
- Two separate charges of Criminal Use of Drug Paraphernalia in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor

Shaheen was arraigned at Central Arraignment Part and remains in custody at the Broome County Correctional Facility.

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