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Press Release

Brockton man indicted for his 9th OUI

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A Norfolk County grand jury has indicted 65-year old Brockton man for what authorities allege is his 9th OUI, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey.

William D. Doten, age 65, of Westland Street in Brockton was the subject of six indictments:

- * Operating Under the Influence – 5th or subsequent offense.
- * Operating Under the Influence
- * Operating after License Suspension
- * Operating after License Suspension – subsequent offense
- * OUI while Operating After Suspension for OUI
- * Possession of an Open Container of Alcohol

The charges carry a minimum mandatory sentence of 2.5 years of incarceration with a maximum penalty of 5 years, District Attorney Morrissey said.

Avon Police were initially called to the area of 359 West Main Street for the report of a disabled truck. As the responding officer approached and opened the door of the vehicle, he experienced what he reported to be a strong odor of alcohol and observed open bottles of vodka and beer in the passenger compartment. Doten was asked to step out of the vehicle and participate in certain tests; the officer's observations helped form probable cause.

Morrissey assigned Assistant District Attorney Michael Thaler to present the evidence to the grand jury and prosecute the case in Norfolk Superior Court. Doten is represented by attorney Joseph Eisenstadt.

"We as a society have to recognize and address the seriousness and dangerousness of the kind of conduct alleged here," District Attorney Morrissey said. "We take these cases very seriously and thank the grand jury for their work."

Doten pled not guilty at his district court arraignment and has been held without bail as a Dangerous Person. His Norfolk Superior Court arraignment date has not yet been set.

See also: http://www.mass.gov/da/norfolk/Press_Releases/1-7-13_Alleged%208-time%20drunk%20driver%20held%20without%20bail.pdf

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