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## Press Release

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### **THE BANK OF GREENE COUNTY ROBBERY**

**Greenport, NY** – Columbia County Sheriff David Harrison Jr. reports that the Sheriff's Office is investigating a bank robbery that occurred April 9th at the Bank of Greene County which is located in the Fairview Plaza in the Town of Greenport.

At approximately 3:46pm Deputy Sheriff Travis VanAlstyne was dispatched by Columbia County 911 to the Bank of Greene County in Greenport. Several Sheriff's Patrols including Sheriff's Investigators along with Police units from the Town of Greenport and the New York State Police responded to assist at and around the scene. The Hudson Police Department also assisted with the investigation. Upon the arrival of Patrols it was learned that an unknown black male entered the bank, approached one of the teller windows and demanded money from the teller. The teller handed over an undisclosed amount of cash to the suspect at which time he left the bank on foot. Patrols searched and canvassed the immediate area. Sheriff's Investigators conducted interviews on the scene while Sheriff's Evidence Technicians processed the crime scene. No one was injured during the incident.

The suspect is described as a black male, approximately 5'08-6'00 tall, wearing a dark colored camouflage type jacket with a hood, a red New York Yankees baseball cap along with dark sunglasses.

Sheriff's Investigators are also looking into the possibility that this suspect may be connected to other bank robberies in western New York State. The Sheriff's Office is asking that anyone with information pertaining to this case to contact the Sheriff's Office at (518) 828-3344.

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