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Highest Charge:	**Third Degree Distribution of Controlled Dangerous Substances**
Sentence Imposed:	**6 Years of New Jersey State Prison**
Defendant:	**Demoy Woolley, Elmwood Park, New Jersey (Age 25)**

Sussex County Prosecutor Daniel M. Perez today announced the recent sentencing of Demoy Woolley of Elmwood Park, New Jersey, for Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance with the Intent to Distribute. During the week of September 29, 2025, based on an undercover investigation, Det. Joseph Roccasanta of the Vernon Township Police Department and the Sussex County Guns, Gangs and Narcotics Task Force learned that Mr. Woolley was travelling to Franklin Borough to sell cocaine. Undercover detectives located and arrested a confederate of Woolley's who was sent by Woolley to complete the illegal drug sale. Woolley was observed on video surveillance at a nearby store getting out of a car in which the confederate was subsequently stopped. When police searched the vehicle that Woolley and his co-defendant had travelled in, they found the cocaine that Woolley had arranged to sell. Demoy Woolley was then charged on a criminal complaint with the following criminal offense:

> Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, Cocaine, with Intent to Distribute that Cocaine, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5b(3), a Crime of the Third Degree.

Demoy Woolley pled guilty to an Indictment charging him with Third Degree Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, Cocaine, with Intent to Distribute that Cocaine on August 24, 2026. During his guilty plea, Woolley admitted to possessing less than one-half of an ounce of cocaine with the intent to distribute that cocaine.

On October 9, 2026, in Superior Court in Newton, New Jersey, the Hon. Janine M. Allen, J.S.C., sentenced Demoy Woolley to 6 years state prison. Woolley was credited with having served 371 days in the Morris County Jail and was ordered to submit a DNA sample and pay $1,205 in court costs and fines.

The Defendant was represented by John C. Grey, Esq., and the State was represented by Sussex County Deputy First Assistant Prosecutor Jerome P. Neidhardt.