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## PRESS RELEASE

CHARGED:

**Paul Smith III** 461 South Main Street Phillipsburg, New Jersey DOB: July 13, 1978

Following a five-week investigation into the distribution of heroin in the Town of Phillipsburg by the Warren County Prosecutor's Office Narcotics Task Force, Phillipsburg Police Department, and the New Jersey State Police a search warrant was executed at the residence of Paul Smith III located at 461 South Main Street, New Jersey, Cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin, along with drug Phillipsburg. paraphernalia were located during the search of the residence.

Paul Smith was charged with the following and held pending a detention hearing:

- (1) Two (2) counts of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5B(3); Possession with the intent to distribute Heroin. A third degree crime. Third degree crimes carry a maximum penalty of up to five (5) years New Jersey State Prison.
- (2) One (1) count of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5B(2); Possession with the intent to distribute Cocaine. A second degree crime. Second degree crimes carry a maximum penalty of up to ten (10) years New Jersey State Prison.
- (3) Two (2) counts of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5B(3); Distributing Heroin. A third degree crime. Third degree crimes carry a maximum penalty of up to five (5) years New Jersey State Prison.
- (4) One (1) count of N.J.S.A. 2C:29-1A; Unlawful obstruction. A fourth degree crime. Fourth degree crimes carry a maximum penalty of up to eighteen (18) months New Jersey State Prison.

The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Approved by:

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Date: December 7, 2022