

# **New Bedford alleged cocaine traffickers found dangerous, held in jail**

A 24-year-old New Bedford man arrested earlier this month in possession of large quantities of narcotics and cash while already out on a bail for a domestic assault case, was ordered held without bail after being found dangerous by a District Court Judge on Tuesday, Bristol County District Attorney Thomas M. Quinn III announced.

Timothy Oliver is charged with trafficking in excess of 200 grams of cocaine and conspiracy to violate the drug law.

Throughout the spring, New Bedford Police detectives gathered information regarding a cocaine distribution service. Detectives developed information that on June 1, the defendant and his co-defendant, Kelvin Trinidad, 25, of New Bedford, were going to receive a package from the US Postal Service at Oliver's Stowell Street apartment.

On that date, officers set up surveillance on Stowell Street and observed the defendants begin to detail a car with a power washer and blue bucket in the street. While detailing the vehicle, a postal truck arrived and delivered a package to the house. At this time, Oliver immediately left the car detailing work and went inside before coming back outside a short time later. The defendants then finished detailing the car, put the tools away, and placed an item into the back of a black Toyota. The defendants then entered the Toyota and began to travel eastbound. Police quickly stopped the car and a search warrant was executed on both the vehicle and the apartment.

Inside the apartment, police seized 92 grams of cocaine and 82 grams of crack cocaine, along with \$14,833 dollars in cash. And, inside the vehicle, police found an additional 510 grams

of cocaine.

The dangerousness hearing for Mr. Oliver was held on Tuesday before Judge Sabine Coyne, who found the defendant to be a danger and ordered him held without bail for up to 120 days.

Mr. Trinidad, who was charged with trafficking in excess of 200 grams of cocaine, conspiracy to violate the drug laws and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, was also found to be a danger and held without bail for up to 120 days on June 2 by Judge Joseph Harrington.

Both hearings were prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Eric Demoura.

"I am very pleased that the court detained both defendants as dangers to the community, which is exactly what they are. Defendant Oliver was caught with an extraordinary amount of cocaine and was already out on bail for a domestic assault. He has already violated his conditions of release on that case prior to being arrested for this very serious charge. He needs to be off the streets," District Attorney Quinn said.

All charges against the defendant are allegations at this time. Defendants are innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.