

Troopers Arrest Lynn Man As Part Of An Interstate Drug Ring Investigation

Yesterday morning, troopers from the MSP Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section, along with members of the Lynn Police Department Gang Unit, arrested BRIAN AQUINO, 34, of Lynn as one of 15 suspects charged with drug trafficking as the result of an investigation in Maine. During the service of a warrant at his residence the following narcotics were seized: 276 grams of Heroin, 95 grams of Fentanyl, 4 grams of Cocaine, 80 pills of Oxycontin and \$2,200 in cash. Aquino was being arrested as a fugitive from justice in Maine, where he was indicted as part of a multi-agency investigation in Oxford County, Maine. While serving the warrant the troopers and Lynn PD officers observed the drugs in Aquino's residence.

AQUINO was charged with the following charges:

- 1) Trafficking a Class A drug over 200 grams
- 2) Trafficking a Class A drug over 28 grams (2 counts)
- 3) Possession of a Class B drug

The two year Maine Drug Enforcement Agency (MDEA) investigation included Oxford County law enforcement and members of the Maine State Police. It uncovered that between January 2013 and April 2015, fifteen suspects were responsible for the importation and distribution of 17.8 pounds of heroin throughout Oxford County. That is the equivalent of 80,000 doses and a street value of \$3.2 million. The indictment charges that Aquino was the supplier of the Heroin from his residence in Lynn where it would be transported to Oxford County, Maine for distribution. MDEA Director Roy McKinney said this is likely the largest drug investigation in Oxford

County history.
