



## *Visitor Arrested at Mid-State Correctional Facility*

### *Downstate Woman Accused of Throwing Chairs at Officer*

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**Marcy, NY** – A downstate woman was arrested at Mid-State Correctional Facility, accused of throwing metal chairs at an officer in the visitor room during an inmate visit on Saturday, April 28th.

During an evening visit with family, an inmate in the visitor room grabbed a metal chair and threw it at another inmate. As the two inmates began to fight, family members of each inmate became involved in the fight. One of the visitors grabbed metal chairs and threw them at an officer who was attempting to restrain one of the inmates.

Additional officers arrived and eventually the situation was contained. Both inmates were removed from the visiting room and placed back in their cells. Two officers sustained minor injuries during the incident. Both were seen by medical staff at the facility.

The visitor who threw the chairs was arrested by the New York State Police and charged with Attempted Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> and Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4<sup>th</sup>. She was arraigned in Marcy Town Court and remanded to Oneida County Jail.

“Proper staffing is essential at all of our visitor rooms to ensure a safe visiting experience for families and friends of inmates. The officers did an excellent job containing the situation quickly once additional resources arrived. It certainly could have been much worse with the amount of people in the room at the time of the fight.” – stated Scott Carpenter, NYSCOPBA Central Region Vice President.