

APPENDIX 5

A-I RESENTENCING

Summary:

Applications Received: 84

Offenders Resentenced: 65

Offenders Released From Prison: 39

Resentenced Offenders Deported: 22

Resentenced Offenders Rearrested: 1

Offenders Denied Resentencing : 6

On Merits: 4

Not in Custody: 2

Awaiting Decision: 9

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Asain Abreu

1995 indictment

After a violent struggle with the police at 463 West 166th Street in Manhattan, Abreu was found in possession of 4 3/8 ounces of cocaine as well as preparation and packaging materials (a sifter, a scale, a calculator, a note pad, a heat sealer, and hundreds of small plastic bags). Conviction by Jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

While incarcerated on the drug offense, defendant was indicted by a New York County Grand Jury for Murder in the Second Degree in October 2002. After jury selection on that case, defendant pled guilty to Manslaughter in the Second Degree for shooting an acquaintance in the neck, and was sentenced to 3 2/3 to 11 years to run consecutively to his 15 to life drug sentence.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	January 22, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	March 21, 2005
Judge	Hon. William Wetzel	

Ramon Alcequier

1999 indictment

During a long term investigation focusing on the corner of 162nd Street and Broadway in Manhattan, Alcequier sold cocaine to an undercover officer three times in various locations, including an apartment and a restaurant, and in various amounts, up to 2 1/4 ounces of cocaine. On March 21, 2000, Alcequier failed to appear in court, and on March 23, 2000, a jury trial commenced in his absence. On March 28, 2000, a jury convicted Alcequier. He was sentenced in

absentia on May 12, 2000. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree. On November 13, 2000, he returned to court after being apprehended. His sentence was imposed on January 23, 2001.

He was previously convicted of the felony, Attempted Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	May 12, 2000
Decision on Resentencing		Awaiting Court's Decision
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

Jose Alvarado

2000 indictment

During a long term buy and bust operation at 547 West 142nd Street in Manhattan, Alvarado sold 2 3/8 ounces of cocaine to an undercover officer for \$1900. He had attempted to sell cocaine to the undercover officer several times during the operation. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Alvarado previously convicted of the felony, Attempted Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	February 15, 2000
Decision on Resentencing	13 years	July 29, 2005
Judge	Hon. Ronald Zweibel	

Alan Anderson

1996 indictment

Anderson boarded a bus in Port Authority Bus Terminal carrying a knapsack which contained 4 ¾ ounces of cocaine and an additional small bag of cocaine and marijuana inside his shoes.

Conviction by Jury.

Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Original Sentence: 15 years to Life Date: May 14, 1997

Defendant re-sentenced by Judge Bonnie Wittner to 8 years on February 24, 2005. Defendant released from prison on March 11, 2005.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	May 14, 1997
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	February 24, 2005
Offender released from prison		March 11, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bonnie Wittner	

George Antonetty

1995 indictment

On January 31, 1996, detectives of the New York City Police Department received information that Antonetty was in possession of a large quantity of cocaine.

Based on the tip, the police responded to 1049 Fox Street in Bronx County and observed Antonetty, who fled, but in doing so, dropped to the ground a package of cocaine weighing nearly two pounds. Police recovered the cocaine and arrested Antonetty.

Conviction by jury. Top count: Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Antonetty was previously convicted of two federal crimes: Armed Bank Robbery and Conspiracy to Commit Armed Bank Robbery.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	June 4, 1996
Decision on Resentencing		Awaiting Court's Decision
Judge	Hon. Lewis Bart Stone	

Ernesto Aponte

2000 indictment

Aponte and three others were the targets of a long term investigation conducted by the Northern Manhattan Initiative. This investigation took place from September 1999 to February 2000 and centered on 517 W. 158th Street in Manhattan. Two different undercover officers infiltrated the organization, which primarily sold powdered cocaine inside two different apartments. Aponte was involved in seven different sales, totaling more than \$8000 during a five month period of time. On March 21, 2000 four defendants were arrested.

Conviction by judge. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Aponte was previously convicted of the felony, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	June 27, 2002
Decision on Resentencing		Awaiting Court's Decision
Judge	Hon. Laura Drager	

Hingino Batista

1998 indictment

In April and May 1998, the New York City Police Department Narcotics Division conducted an investigation into drug activities in the area of East 118th Street between First Avenue and Pleasant Avenue in Manhattan. On May 11, 1998, Batista sold more than a half ounce of cocaine to an undercover officer, and on May 18, 1998, he sold two ounces of cocaine. On May 27, officers recovered a loaded 9 millimeter gun, drug packaging materials and 3 7/8 ounces of cocaine from his apartment. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	October 25, 1999
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	June 15, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	November 30, 2005
Judge	Hon. Meggan Tallmer	

Dashawn Brown

2000 indictment

Brown was observed purchasing 4 1/2 ounces of cocaine from an apprehended seller on West 139th Street and Broadway in Manhattan. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Brown was previously convicted of two felonies in New Jersey, Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance with the Intent to Distribute, on two separate indictments.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	May 10, 2001
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	September 30, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

Alberto Bueno

1992 indictment

On March 13, 1992, in the area of Broadway and 149th Street, Bueno was observed selling cocaine (5 1/2 ounces), which was recovered. He absconded, and was tried in absentia. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	May 18, 1993
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	April 21, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	June 1, 2005
Judge	Hon. Marcy Kahn	

Manny Cabassa

1991 indictment

In April 1990, Cabassa bragged about his drug business to undercover detectives, stating that he "owned" the building and controlled all the drug traffic on the block. He said he was trying to obtain the empty lot next door from the city so that he could set up a heroin business. Defendant asked an undercover officer to be his partner in this new venture. Cabassa made three sales to undercover officers.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Cabassa was previously convicted of the violent crime of Robbery in the First Degree. Subsequent to his New York conviction, On April 21, 1994, the defendant was sentenced on a federal case to 157 months in prison to run concurrent to the New York sentence. On August 11, 1995, the defendant's federal conviction was reversed upon the ground that the evidence against him had been seized in violation of his Fourth Amendment rights. In 2001, Cabassa challenged his state conviction and his sentence was reduced to seventeen years and three months to life with credit for time already served on his vacated federal conviction.

		Date
Original Sentence	20 years to life	October 4, 1993
Sentence Modified	17 ¼ years to life	2001
Decision on Resentencing	Awaiting Court's Decision	
Judge	Hon. John Cataldo	

Alvaro Carvajal

1994 indictment

Carvajal was a leader in a cocaine organization that imported tons of cocaine into the United States. From June 1993 – September 1994, the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor and the New York Drug Enforcement Task Force conducted a long term wiretap investigation into the organization which operated in Queens County, New York and San Francisco, California. Carvajal, and his co-defendants Freddy Lasso and Luis Grueso, acted together to transport huge shipments of cocaine from San Francisco to New York and other cities using automobiles equipped with hidden compartments within which the cocaine was stored. Alvaro Carvajal's 1994 arrest capped a two-year sting involving one of the nation's largest drug networks, a unit of the Cali Cartel that distributed up to 10,000 pounds of cocaine per month.

The investigation uncovered a complex operation that transported cocaine from San Francisco to New York via a fleet of cars with hidden compartments. The probe began with a Queens garage called W & G Auto repair, and ultimately discovered coordinated drug operations in Queens, Chicago, San Francisco and other cities.

In late September 1994, police arrested 191 members of the network, including the co-head of the ring's New York operations, Carvajal, who served as the

group's partner on the west coast. Conviction after jury trial. Top count:
Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Original Sentence: 35 years to life (20 years to life to be served consecutively to
two concurrent terms of 15 years to life and a concurrent term of 12 1/2 - 25 years)

Carvajal previously convicted of the federal felonies Conspiracy to Distribute
Cocaine (1978) and Importation of Cocaine (1984). After his New York
conviction, he was also convicted of the federal crime of Conspiracy to Import
Cocaine for federal crimes committed in connection with his cocaine enterprise.

		Date
Original Sentence	35 years to life	April 1, 1996
Decision on Resentencing		Awaiting Court's Decision
Judge	Hon Bonnie Wittner	

Dario Castro

1996 indictment

Castro was arrested after a long term investigation of narcotics trafficking at 132
Sherman Avenue in Manhattan. Castro sold cocaine to an undercover officer on
three separate occasions during a three week period (3.5 ounces, 7 ounces and 16
ounces). Conviction by jury. Top Count Criminal Sale Controlled Substance
First Degree. He was previously convicted in New York County of the felony,
Attempted Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	January 13, 1997
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	March 21, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	May 18, 2005
Judge	Hon. William Wetzel	

Mario Castro

1995 indictment

On November 3, 1995, police arrived at the vicinity of 874 East 167th Street in the Bronx to conduct an undercover drug operation. They followed Castro in his car and recovered a plastic bag that contained over 8 5/8 ounces of heroin, valued between \$30,000 and \$ 50,000. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant previously convicted in Queens County of the felony, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	December 19, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	April 4, 2005.
Offender released from prison	Deported	November 25, 2005
Judge	Hon. Eduardo Padro	

Johnny Ciprian

2003 indictment

On January 22, 2003 at 172 Street and Vyse Avenue in the Bronx, Ciprian sold 2 ½ ounces of cocaine to an undercover officer. While out on bail on this case, Ciprian was found in possession of a half a kilogram of cocaine inside an apartment. Conviction by plea. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Ciprian rejected court's proposed re-sentence of ten years and is appealing.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	June 13, 2003
Decision on Resentencing	10 years	Judge proposed to resentence to 10 years; prisoner rejected and is appealing
Judge	Hon. Michael Corriero	

Cristino Contreras

1997 indictment

Contreras was arrested after a long term wiretap investigation. Cristino Contreras, and his brother Jorge Contreras, were leaders of a drug organization that imported hundreds of kilograms of cocaine from Venezuela into the United States, specifically Bronx County. 113 kilograms (249 pounds) of cocaine recovered. Contreras collected and laundered millions of dollars for the narcotics organization and kept records of the organization's activity. He used two businesses, a parking garage and auto repair shop, as cover for narcotics trafficking. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree; also convicted of Conspiracy.

		Date
Original Sentence	28 years to life*	July 13, 2000
Offender re-sentenced	20 years	September 2, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bonnie Wittner	

* 25 years to life on the drug conviction consecutive to 3 years to 9 on the Conspiracy in the Second Degree conviction.

Jorge Contreras

1997 indictment

Jorge Contreras was arrested after a long term wiretap investigation. Jorge and his brother Cristino were leaders of a drug organization that imported hundreds of kilograms of cocaine from Venezuela into the United States, specifically Bronx County. 113 kilograms (249 pounds) of cocaine recovered. Jorge Contreras ran day to day affairs of organization, collected money and transmitted money to Venezuelan suppliers. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree and Conspiracy.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life	December 20, 1999
Decision on Resentencing	15 years	August 26, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bonnie Wittner	

Luis Delacruz

2000 indictment

Delacruz was the target of a long term investigation conducted by the Narcotics Division of the New York City Police Department in the area of 159th Street and Amsterdam Avenue in Manhattan. He negotiated two sales of cocaine, including the sale of 2 3/8 ounces of cocaine to an undercover officer. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Delacruz was previously convicted of two felonies, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree and Criminal Facilitation in the Second Degree. The sales underlying each of the previous indictments also occurred on 159th Street.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	January 1, 2001
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	April 14, 2005
Judge	Hon. Ronald Zweibel	

Rufino Desla

1992 indictment

NYPD Bronx Narcotics executed a search warrant at 614 West 152 Street, apt# 58. The defendant and a co-defendant were attempting to climb out the window onto the fire escape. Police recovered 1 1/2 pounds of cocaine and three loaded guns from a trap in the bedroom. There was also a scale, dilutant, and packaging material found in the apartment. He was tried and convicted in absentia. He was previously convicted of federal narcotics crime of Conspiracy to Distribute Heroin.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	17 years to life	June 17, 1993
Decision on Resentencing		Awaiting Court's Decision
Judge	Hon. Richard Carruthers	

Frank Estevez

1989 indictment

During a three month long investigation of drug dealing at 247 Audobon Avenue in Manhattan, Estevez sold 15 1/2 ounces of cocaine to an undercover officer for \$12,000. Conviction by plea. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree

On November 1, 1990, defendant failed to appear on a scheduled court date and a bench warrant was issued. On June 11, 1993, defendant pled guilty and was released on his own recognizance. On December 7, 1993, defendant failed to

appear in court and a bench warrant was issued. On April 1, 1994 defendant was arrested on the warrant and returned to court.

		Date
Original Sentence	18 years to life	December 20, 1994
Decision on Resentencing	10 years	September 29, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	November 16, 2005
Judge	Hon. Charles Tejada	

Jose Felix

1994 indictment

An undercover officer drove to West 185th Street and Audobon Avenue Manhattan to buy drugs in a buy and bust operation. The area at that time was the site of many street sales of kilograms of cocaine (kilograms – 2.2 pound bricks). Defendant offered to sell the undercover officer two kilograms of cocaine (4.4 pounds), took him to an apartment, showed him the cocaine and told him the price would be \$19,600. Felix was arrested. A search of the apartment recovered 10 pounds of cocaine, including the kilograms shown to the undercover officer. Several pounds of cocaine were recovered from a trap door compartment, and a kilo press, calculator and walkie talkie radio were also recovered. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree

Felix was previously convicted of the violent felony, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree, for possessing a loaded .9mm Luger semiautomatic pistol in 1993.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	April 12, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	15 years	May 24, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	Sept. 21, 2005
Judge	Hon. Joan Sudolnik	

Jose Fernandez

2000 indictment

Police set up an observation post in an area of high narcotics activity, 134th Street between Broadway and Amsterdam in Manhattan. Fernandez was observed selling cocaine to an apprehended buyer. 2 1/2 ounces plus 20 grains of cocaine were recovered from the buyer. Fernandez absconded during his trial, was convicted in absentia by a jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree. Defendant arrested on a new case and returned to court for sentencing.

Fernandez was previously convicted of the felony, Attempted Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	December 21, 2000
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	March 7, 2005
Judge	Hon. Michael Corriero	

Fernando Franco

1988 indictment

Franco was an integral member of cocaine organization which distributed thousands of kilograms of cocaine in the United States. He transported and possessed the largest stash of cocaine ever seized by law enforcement in New York State, more than two tons of cocaine (2,041 kilograms) worth more than \$30 million dollars seized from a stash apartment in Queens, along with \$1.9 million also recovered from the apartment. He also transferred to a co-defendant 110 kilograms (220 pounds) of cocaine, worth approximately 2 million dollars. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

While this case was pending, Franco was convicted by plea in Queens County of the violent felony, Robbery in the First Degree (for 1985 gun point robbery), and received a sentence of 2 1/3 years to 7 years. He had absconded on that charge when he was apprehended for the narcotics case. He has one other felony conviction, for Driving While Intoxicated and Leaving the Scene of an Accident (for 1985 incident). Franco warranted on both 1985 indictments. After his arrest on the narcotics case, he was returned to court to face sentencing.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life*	June 7, 1989
Decision on Resentencing	Denied	August 11, 2005
Judge	Hon. Edward McLaughlin	

*Consecutive to 2 1/3 years to 7 on the Robbery conviction.

Francisco Gabriel

1995 indictment

Gabriel was observed by two officers boarding a bus at the Port Authority Bus Terminal. Gabriel placed one of his bags in a compartment away from his seat and, when asked, denied that the bag which he had placed in the other compartment belonged to him. One pound and 15 ounces of cocaine recovered from the bag. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Gabriel was previously convicted in Kings County of the violent felony, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	January 23, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	15 years	March 14, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	May 16, 2006 Prison release date
Judge	Hon. William Wetzel	

Cesar German

1986 indictment

Officers received a radio run of a man shot inside apartment 2W at 538 West 153rd Street in Manhattan. When officers arrived, German opened the door wearing a gun holster. On top of a table in the living room were over a 100 crack cocaine filled vials (4 ¾ ounces). The police also recovered a loaded gun inside a stereo in the living room. German was arrested but released on his own recognizance by the court. Two weeks later, officers again responded to defendant's apartment after receiving a radio run of a rape taking place at the

location. When German opened the door, he attempted to escape into a nearby room but was apprehended. ¾ ounces and 28 grains of cocaine and a loaded inoperable gun were recovered inside the apartment. Conviction by judge. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

German, in separate indictment, was convicted in connection with shooting and paralyzing a male victim. He pled guilty to the violent felony, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree and received 2 to 4 years concurrent to the drug sentence. German previously convicted in Puerto Rico of the felony, Possession of a Weapon. German has a lengthy prison disciplinary record, which prevented his earlier release.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	March 24, 1987
Decision on Resentencing	22 years	January 18, 2006
Offender released from prison	Deported	April 19, 2006
Judge	Hon. Michael Corriero	

Miguelina Gilbert

1994 indictment

Gilbert, a New York State Parole Officer assigned to Bronx County, sold 4.5 ounces of cocaine to an undercover officer. Long term investigation revealed that while a parole officer, she was involved in narcotics trafficking for at least two years. Conviction by Jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	September 24, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	February 18, 2005
Offender released from prison		February 22, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

Timothy Glass

1993 indictment

Glass was arrested with 2 kilograms of cocaine (4.4 pounds) inside a car. He told arresting officers that he and an accomplice stole the cocaine at gunpoint from Washington Heights cocaine dealers. Conviction by plea. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

While out on bail, Glass along with other men, tried to kick in the apartment door of someone the group believed to be cooperating with police (based on information provided to the group by Glass). Another member of the group fired a gun through the door, shooting two innocent occupants, and paralyzing one. Glass was indicted by a Queens County Grand Jury for Attempted Murder in the Second Degree and pled guilty to Attempted Conspiracy in the Second Degree. He received a sentence of 4 to 8 years to run concurrent with the drug sentence.

Defendant previously convicted in Queens County of the felony, Reckless Endangerment in the First Degree and the felony, Grand Larceny in the Second Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	June 21, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	15 years	August 24, 2005
Judge	Hon. Roger Hayes	

Charles Green

1990 indictment

Green was a leader of a crack organization operating on West 111th Street and West 150th Street in Manhattan, selling popular brand of crack cocaine to people standing in lines, sometimes fifty people deep at two locations on 111th Street. Green maintained the keys to locations. At time of arrest, he was found inside of organization's stash apartment with \$62,000, 11,000 vials of crack-cocaine, three loaded guns (including an assault rifle), a police scanner and several bullet proof vests. Conviction by plea. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree. Green was also convicted of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	18 years to life	November 22, 1991
Decision on Resentencing	16 years	June 7, 2005
Offender released from prison		July 18, 2005
Judge	Hon. Arlene Silverman	

Luis Grueso

1994 indictment

Grueso was a leader in a cocaine organization that imported hundreds of kilograms into the United States. From June 1993 – September 1994, the Office

of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor and the New York Drug Enforcement Task Force conducted a long term wiretap investigation into the organization which operated in Queens County, New York and San Francisco, California. Grueso, and his co-defendants Freddy Lasso and Alavaro Carvajal, acted together to transport multiple kilogram shipments of cocaine from San Francisco to New York and other cities using automobiles equipped with hidden compartments within which the cocaine was stored. The automobiles were fitted with hidden compartment in New York and cocaine was concealed in the compartments in loads of 40 to 70 pounds for transport from California. The cocaine organization, at the urging of Grueso, employed an enforcer to beat an individual suspected of stealing a load of cocaine during a taped interrogation.

The investigation further revealed that Grueso headed a second, separate organization which transported cocaine along a cross country circuit that included New York, New Orleans, Chicago, Atlanta and Houston. Grueso arranged the laundering of narcotics proceeds for this organization. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	35 years to life*	April 1, 1996
Decision on Resentencing		Judge proposed resentence of 28 years; prisoner rejected and is appealing.
Judge	Hon. Bonnie Wittner	

* 20 years to life to be served consecutively to two concurrent terms of 15 years to life and a concurrent term of 8 1/3 to 25 years.

Eduardo Hansen

2002 indictment

High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Task Force of the Organized Crime Investigation Division of the New York City Police Department developed information regarding a pending cocaine transfer. They observed a car recognized as transporting cocaine, and followed it. Police stopped the car, found Hansen inside, searched it and recovered 10 ounces of cocaine concealed within a spare tire inside the car. Conviction by Jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	January 20, 2004
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	March 8, 2005
Judge	Hon. Renee White	

Oliver Hediaam

1994 indictment

Hediaam found in apartment with 10 7/8 ounces of cocaine and 2 loaded firearms. Officers entered 548 West 164th Street, Manhattan as part of a routine patrol requested by landlord or tenants. When the officers descended to the third floor hallway, one of the officers observed Hediaam leaving an apartment with the white butt handle of a firearm tucked into his waist. He then turned and fled back into the apartment. Hediaam attempted to slam the apartment door behind him, but the officers stopped the door before it closed fully.

The officers caught up with the Hediaam in the living room, where another male was sitting on a sofa. In the bedroom at the foot of the bed, the gun seen earlier

on Hedia's waistband was recovered. A .32 caliber firearm from a slightly-opened top dresser drawer, a scale, two sifters, a pestle, a calculator, a box of aluminum foil, and a box of clear plastic baggies on the dresser were recovered. In addition, police recovered two large bags, one small white bag and one small jar, all containing cocaine, as well as a small clear plastic bag containing crack-cocaine. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree (Acquitted of gun possession).

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	April 18, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	10 years	April 28, 2005
Offender released from prison		June 6, 2005
Judge	Hon. Daniel Fitzgerald	

Curly Hernandez

1992 indictment

Police officer observed Hernandez on 140th Street and Amsterdam Avenue in Manhattan drop a large yellow package containing a kilogram (2.2 pounds) of cocaine into a garbage can. Conviction by Jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant failed to appear for trial and was tried and sentenced in absentia. Defendant was re-arrested for possession of marijuana in March 1996 and committed to state prison on April 23, 1996.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	October 19, 1992
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	March 28, 2005
Offender released from prison		May 13, 2005
Judge	Hon. William Wetzel	

Linwood Hine

1995 indictment

Hine had a briefcase containing more than a pound of cocaine in a bus in the Port Authority Terminal. Officers observed Hine in Port Authority Bus Terminal approach another male carrying a briefcase and hand him a bus ticket. The male boarded a bus carrying the briefcase. Officers then saw Hine board the same bus, place the briefcase that the male had carried in an overhead compartment three seats in front of where the other male was sitting, and sit down in a seat underneath the briefcase. Hine and the male both denied ownership of the briefcase which contained 1 pound and 3/8 ounces of cocaine. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	November 16, 1995
Decision on Resentencing	10 years	March 29, 2005
Offender released from prison		April 15, 2005
Judge	Hon. Marcy Kahn	

Terrance Hunter (AKA Jimmie Cohen)

1994 indictment

Officers, responding to a complaint about a man selling guns out of a black Honda on 139th Street and Hamilton Place, arrived at the location and saw defendant entering a black Honda. Upon seeing the officers, Hunter fled, holding his hands in front of his body as he ran. He ran through an outdoor gathering of church goers and as he did so dropped a large white package. Hunter was stopped and the package ultimately recovered. The package contained a kilogram (2.2 pounds) of cocaine. Conviction by jury.

Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Hunter was previously convicted of the violent felonies, Burglary in the Second Degree and Attempted Burglary in the First Degree (he was on parole when he committed the narcotics offense).

While imprisoned on the burglary convictions, Hunter was found concealing a razor blade in his mouth and was convicted of another felony, Attempt to Promoting Prison Contraband in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	May 15, 1995
Decision on Resentencing	15 years	April 1, 2005
Judge	Hon. Lewis Stone	

Severiana Jacquez

1989 indictment

Jacquez rented an apartment where police conducted a search warrant and found her four year old daughter alone in a room with 11 5/8 ounces of cocaine sitting out in the open on a nightstand. A medical examination revealed that the daughter had cocaine in her system. Two days later, Jacquez went to police precinct to find her daughter, who had been placed in foster care. Jacquez was identified as occupant of search warrant apartment and arrested. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree; also convicted: Endangering Welfare of a Child.

Jacquez failed to appear for trial and was tried and sentenced in absentia. She was returned on warrant in 2001 when she attempted to reclaim her bail money. She was committed to prison on May 16, 2001.

		Date
Original Sentence (in absentia)	17 years to life	February 15, 1991
Returned on warrant and began serving sentence		May 4, 2001
Decision on Resentencing	9 years	June 28, 2005
Judge	Hon. Charles Tejada	

Euverse Jiminez

1998 indictment

Jiminez was arrested after a long term investigation of drug sales at a pool hall. Jiminez sold cocaine to an undercover officer on 2 separate occasions (1/2 ounce and 2 ounces).

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	August 30, 1999
Decision on Resentencing	9 years	May 20, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	July 27, 2005
Judge	Hon. Richard Carruthers	

Jesus Jiminez

1996 indictment

On April 15, 1996, Jiminez sold 4 1/8 ounces of cocaine to an undercover officer inside an apartment located at 507 West 139th Street in Manhattan. On May 7, 1996, Jiminez sold 1/8 ounces of cocaine to the same undercover officer at the same location.

Conviction by plea. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	September 26, 1997
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	June 16, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	August 23, 2005
Judge	Hon. Laura Drager	

Carlos Jose

1994 indictment

Bronx detectives received information that suspects wanted for a police homicide were inside an apartment located at 559 West 164th Street in Manhattan. Jose and two others were inside of the apartment. A loaded 9 millimeter gun was recovered from between the cushions on the couch where Jose was seated. Also recovered inside the apartment were 8 ounces of cocaine, rounds of ammunition, a cross bow and scope, a bullet proof vest and a triple beam scale. Jose and the other males were not implicated in the police homicide. Conviction by Jury.

Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance First Degree, also convicted of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	May 12, 1995
Decision on Resentencing	10 years	February 18, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	April 5, 2005
Judge	Hon. Charles Tejada	

Sergio LaFontaine

1988 indictment

LaFontaine was arrested after a long term wiretap investigation. LaFontaine, owner of a hair salon at the time of his crime, was the leader of a thirteen member heroin and cocaine selling operation run for at least two years out of his home and business in Queens. He was a major dealer of kilogram weight heroin and cocaine. Defendant also operated a gambling policy business (“numbers running”) from another apartment in the building. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant previously convicted of 2 felony offenses, Sale of a Controlled Substance in 1971 (for possession of three pounds of heroin and a loaded pistol) and a 1978 federal crime of conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute heroin and cocaine.

		Date
Original Sentence	35 years to life*	May 24, 1989
Decision on Resentencing	Denied	July 19, 2005
Judge	Hon. Edward McLaughlin	

*25 years to life consecutive to 10 to 20 years on the Conspiracy in the Second Degree conviction concurrent 12 1/2 to 25 years on the Third Degree Possession with Intent to Sell conviction.

Alejandro Lopez

1987 indictment

Lopez was the leader of a large scale violent drug organization that sold cocaine bearing the brand name "Rock" from an apartment building at 507 East 11th Street located in Manhattan's Lower East Side for many years. The "Rock" cocaine organization was the subject of a two year long police investigation. Weekly sales of cocaine totaled approximately \$150,000. Homicides and shootings were linked to organization, including the death of a nine year old girl caught in gunfire. Lopez's organization bribed and threatened police officers. 9 millimeter submachine guns, an electronic stun gun, a loaded .38 caliber Beretta pistol modified to fit a silencer, an operable long barrel pistol, a loaded and operable .38 caliber revolver, a bulletproof vest, ammunition and a case for an Uzi submachine gun were recovered from defendant's residences and stash locations. Lopez was arrested at seaside estate in Puerto Rico. Conviction by Jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree; also convicted of Conspiracy in the Second Degree. Lopez was also fined \$3 million dollars, but no portion of fine ever paid.

At resentencing hearing, evidence demonstrated that, while in state prison, Lopez set up several corporations, obtained a Merrill Lynch investment account, bought and sold stocks, and bought and sold real estate in Florida, Puerto Rico and Colorado totaling more than \$1.5 million.

		Date
Original Sentence	33 1/3 years to life*	December 13, 1988
Decision on Resentencing	17 years **	November 4, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

* 25 years to life consecutive to 8 1/3 years to 25 years on the Conspiracy in the Second Degree conviction, and a \$3 million fine.

** Consecutive to 8 1/3 years to 25 on the Conspiracy conviction.

Genaro Lozano

1997 indictment

Police responded to a 911 of a dispute between 2 men at an apartment located at 610 West 145th Street, Manhattan. When police arrived at the apartment they heard scurrying sounds and observed one male drop cocaine out of the window onto the fire escape. Lozano was found inside the apartment. Police recovered from the apartment: 4 1/8 ounces of crack cocaine, cocaine residue in toilet bowl, on window sill and fire escape and cocaine packaging materials.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Lozano was previously convicted of the felony, Attempted Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree. That case arose out of search warrant executed in same apartment building.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	March 10, 1998
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	October 14, 2005
Judge	Hon. Marcy Kahn	

Jose Luciano

1997 indictment

Luciano was arrested after a ten month long investigation of narcotics trafficking in a livery car service business. Luciano was a taxi dispatcher and was involved in three sales of 2 or more ounces of cocaine to an undercover officer.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	April 30, 1999
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	April 12, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	August 24, 2005
Judge	Hon. Ruth Sussman	

Bernardo Mejia

1999 indictment

Mejia's arrest was the result of a long term wiretap investigation. Mejia was a manager of major cocaine trafficking organization, intercepted repeatedly in wiretapped phone calls making arrangements for distribution of large amounts of

cocaine and arranging for collection of narcotics proceeds. When arrested, Mejia had a van fully loaded with 300 kilograms (660 pounds) of cocaine. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree also convicted of Conspiracy.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life	May 25, 2000
Decision on Resentencing	15 years	June 6, 2005
Judge	Hon. Jeffrey Atlas	

Jose Merejildo

1998 indictment

Merejildo's arrest stemmed from a large-scale investigation targeting a drug operation on West 162nd Street in Manhattan. On January 9, 1998, an undercover officer went to the area to buy drugs from a member named "Jose." After the officer failed to locate that person, Merejildo approached the officer and told him he was a "Jose too" and asked what the officer was looking for. Merejildo took the officer to his apartment on the block and sold one ounce of cocaine. The officer made two more purchases of cocaine from him, including one of more than two ounces. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	May 11, 1999
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	April 18, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	August 24, 2005
Judge	Hon. Roger Hayes	

Lisandro Montes De Oca

1996 indictment

Montes De Oca was arrested pursuant to a long term wiretap investigation into an international conspiracy to import hundreds of kilograms of cocaine and launder approximately \$20 million dollars in narcotics proceeds. Montes De Oca, co-defendant of Tirso Salcedo, was a high level member of cocaine organization who helped store cocaine, delivered it to local distributors, collected proceeds, paid debts to suppliers and kept records of transactions. Intercepted conversation recorded Montes De Oca supervising the storage of approximately 400 pounds of cocaine in the Bronx. He was observed delivering a bag containing approximately twenty pounds of cocaine to a Bronx customer of the organization. In his home, police recovered money counting machine and narcotics records. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant previously convicted in Bronx County in 1992 of the A- II felony, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Second Degree. In 1997 he was convicted of the federal felony, Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering for money laundering on behalf of this criminal organization.

		Date
Original Sentence	35 years to life*	September 2, 1998
Decision on Resentencing	24 years	August 12, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bonnie Wittner	

* 15 years to life on one Possession count to run consecutive to two concurrent terms of 20 years to life on two Possession counts and a concurrent term of 12½ years to 25 years on the Conspiracy count

Jose Mundo

1997 indictment

Two officers in an unmarked police car on Broadway in Manhattan, observed a car with Florida license plates make a right turn through a steady red light onto West 156th Street. Mundo was in the rear seat passenger. The officers attempted to pull the car over and caution the driver that it was illegal to turn right on red in New York City. At first, the car slowed to a stop, but when the officers got out of their car and began to approach it, the car sped off. As the car continued to flee, it swerved around an ice-cream truck which was parked along the side of the street, and almost struck a woman who was crossing in front of the truck. When the car finally stopped, all three occupants were removed. One of the officers spotted an access in the middle of the rear seat and pulled it down, revealing a hole that led directly into the trunk of the car. Through the hole, the officer saw a package in the trunk and smelled a strong chemical odor, which he recognized as a chemical used to prepare cocaine for sale. The officers opened up the trunk and removed the package, which contained almost a kilogram (2.2 pounds) of cocaine. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Mundo was convicted in 1974 of the violent felony, Manslaughter in the First Degree, for calling a man out of a taxicab, slapping him in the face, shooting him, then standing over his fallen body and shooting him again in the head. His plea also covered an open indictment for selling narcotics to an undercover, and he was deported. He re-entered the United States illegally in 1989, and in 1990 pled guilty to the federal charge of false claim to United States citizenship. He was deported a second time, returned illegally a second time, and was charged with the federal offense of illegal entry to which he pled guilty in 2000.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	November 1, 1999
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	May 11, 2005
Offender released from prison	To federal custody	April 13, 2006
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

Leticia Muneton

1997 indictment

On October 14, 1997, the Memphis, Tennessee Police Department recovered 151 kilograms (about 332 pounds) of cocaine from the bed of a pick-up truck. The cocaine had a street value of \$43,775,000. The police learned that the cocaine was being transported from Dallas, Texas to New York City and that Muneton was in charge of coordinating the delivery of the cocaine into New York City. Muneton arrested on 34th Street and Sixth Avenue in Manhattan after she was observed overseeing delivery of drugs.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled a Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	March 26, 1999
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	May 19, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	July 12, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

Roberto Oms

1999 indictment

From January 1999 to April 1999, the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Brooklyn North Narcotics Division Task Force of the New York City Police Department conducted an investigation into heroin trafficking between Florida and New York City. As part of the investigation, in April 1999, Oms was observed in a hotel room with 4 kilograms (8.8 pounds) of heroin, worth several hundred thousand dollars. He weighed and sold 2 kilograms to an undercover officer. Investigators arrested other members of the trafficking organization, but Oms fled. He was arrested in Florida in July 2000 on theft and forgery charges and extradited to New York. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

While Oms was awaiting sentence, he was convicted in Bronx County of Promoting Prison Contraband in the First Degree, for passing heroin in Rikers Island Correctional Facility. On February 13, 2003, he was sentenced on that case to 1 to 3 years to run concurrent with the drug sentence.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	October 20, 2002
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	March 10, 2005
Judge	Hon. Rosalyn Richter	

Nino Ortiz

1999 indictment

During a long term investigation into drug dealing at 511 West 160th Street in Manhattan, Ortiz sold cocaine to an undercover officer on 3 separate occasions (2¼ ounces, ½ ounce, and 2 ounces). Conviction by plea. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	August 8, 2000
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	August 18, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	November 16, 2005
Judge	Hon. Daniel P. FitzGerald	

Emanuel Pacheco

1990 indictment

Pacheco was the target in a long term investigation conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms at 290 Troutman Street in Brooklyn. He sold 2 ounces of crack-cocaine to an undercover officer and possessed an additional 653 vials containing crack-cocaine (2 ounces) inside a car where he was arrested. Conviction by Jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

After his arrest, Pacheco was released on his own recognizance and failed to appear for his scheduled court date on October 15, 1990. Two years later he was arrested in Ulster County and returned to New York County.

While a fugitive, defendant was indicted by a Kings County Grand Jury for Murder in the Second Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second and Third Degrees for a drive-by shooting in Brooklyn. In connection with that, Pacheco pled guilty to the violent felony, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree and received 1 to 3 years to run concurrent to the drug sentence. Pacheco was subsequently indicted and convicted of the felony, Bail Jumping in the Second Degree, which was consolidated with the drug indictment.

Pacheco had a lengthy prison disciplinary record, including a conviction for being a prison gang leader who ordered an assault on another prisoner.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	December 22, 1993
Decision on Resentencing	12 ½ years	April 8, 2005
Offender released from prison		August 23, 2005
Judge	Hon. Arlene Silverman	

Alberto Perez

1995 indictment

On April 26, 1995, police officers drove to an apartment building located at 34 Bogardus Place in Manhattan, in response to an anonymous telephone call. When they arrived, they knocked on the door of Apartment 5C. Hearing sounds of rapid movement from within the apartment, the officers knocked louder and identified

themselves. After approximately two minutes, Perez opened the door. Through the doorway, the officers observed a gun lying on top of a dresser. The gun, a Torres 9-millimeter semi-automatic pistol loaded with fifteen bullets was recovered. A search of the apartment yielded three plastic bags containing approximately 1 pound and 6 3/4 ounces cocaine, a triple beam scale, and aluminum foil, all found on a kitchen counter, as well as \$ 1,634 in United States currency and a set of keys which fit the locks on the front door of the apartment.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled in the First Degree, also convicted of Criminal Possession of a Weapon.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	September 24, 1996
Offender re-sentenced	8 years	May 2, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	June 29, 2005
Judge	Hon. Charles Tejada	

Victor Perez

2000 indictment

On August 11, 2000, officers were conducting surveillance of a known drug location located at 601 West 141st Street in Manhattan. They initially observed Perez being chased, and asked if he needed help. He declined assistance and later they saw him again, observed him carrying a package and called to him. Perez fled when the officers identified themselves. He threw a brick size package of cocaine to the ground and was stopped by the officers. The package containing 2 pounds of cocaine was recovered. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Perez has a prior Pennsylvania conviction for possessing marijuana with intent to deliver.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	June 1, 2001
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	June 24, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

Alexis Perry

1985 indictment

Perry was a member of a violent drug gang (“The Vigilantes”) that trafficked heroin in Harlem in the 1980’s. He was indicted for 16 counts of sale and possession of heroin. He also participated in the execution of a trial witness seven hours after the witness’s name was revealed during the Vigilantes leader’s (Nathaniel Sweeper) trial for murder. Perry was carrying a loaded .38 caliber pistol when he was arrested. Conviction by plea. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Perry also pled guilty to Murder in the Second Degree for the killing of the trial witness.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life*	June 23, 1986
Decision on Resentencing	20 years	July 7, 2005
Judge	Hon. Arlene Silverman	

*concurrent to 25 years to life for the murder indictment.

Theodore Persico

1987 indictment

Arrest was result of a long term investigation of organized crime activities in Brooklyn. Persico was a major supplier of cocaine in a large scale cocaine trafficking organization. He sold cocaine to an undercover officer on 4 separate occasions, including one sale of 13 ounces. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Persico filed an application for resentencing when he was no longer in custody, and withdrew it after he was indicted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York.

He subsequently pled guilty in the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York, on federal racketeering charges. He was sentenced on March 14, 2006 to 42 months imprisonment.

		Date
Original Sentence	20 years to life	June 29, 1988
Decision on Resentencing	Application withdrawn because already released	May 2005
Offender released from prison		April 28, 2004
Judge	Hon. Michael Corriero	
Rearrest	Federal Racketeering and Extortion	May 5, 2005

Joseph Petito

1986 indictment

Petito, target of a long term investigation, sold heroin (in large quantities) on 5 separate dates. On one occasion, he sold 13 ounces of heroin to an undercover officer. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

When convicted on narcotics case, Pettito was on parole for a prior violent felony conviction, Manslaughter in the First Degree. In that case, Petito was in a Brooklyn bar and objected to the way the deceased was looking at his wife. He hit the deceased with a bar stool, then followed him outside after he left the bar, shooting and killing the deceased and injuring one of his friends.

		Date
Original Sentence	20 years to life	March 3, 1987
Decision on Resentencing	17 1/2 years	March 21, 2005
Offender released from prison		May 9, 2005
Judge	Hon. Edward J. McLaughlin	

Daniel Quinones

1991 indictment

Officers responded to a radio run of “shots fired” at 520 West 151st Street apartment 53 in Manhattan. Quinones and another male were observed in apartment 51. Quinones threw 3 bags of cocaine to the other male. That male threw the cocaine out of the window. The bags were recovered and the total weight was 4 1/8 ounces. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

After his conviction, Quinones filed numerous motions and appeals and was released on bail in 1996. While out on bail, he was arrested and charged with Grand Larceny in the Third Degree for stealing an automobile on January 24, 1996. Defendant was released on bail on that case. Quinones did not return to Court and a bench warrant was issued for his arrest on July 11, 1996. On January 1, 2001, he was arrested for driving without a license and returned to Court on January 3, 2001. Quinones was sentenced to 15 years to life on the drug conviction concurrent with a sentence of from 1 to 3 years on the Grand Larceny case.

He was previously convicted in Bronx County of the felony, Burglary in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	February 14, 2002
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	April 29, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

Jose Quinones

1996 indictment

Quinones was the target of a long term investigation into narcotics trafficking at a beeper store located at West 160th Street and Broadway in Manhattan. During the investigation, he sold 2 7/8 ounces of cocaine to an undercover police officer. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Quinones was previously convicted of the violent felony, Criminal Possession of Weapon in the Third Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	April 3, 1998
Decision on Resentencing	Withdrawn	January 6, 2006
Judge	Hon. Edward McLaughlin	

Javier Ramirez

1997 indictment

Ramirez was intercepted in a long term wiretap investigation. Ramirez, a garage owner, allowed his Queens County garage to be used as storage facility for shipments of cocaine. Ramirez was arrested after he received 137 kilograms (about 300 pounds) of cocaine. Conviction by jury.

Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	March 31, 1999
Decision on Resentencing	11 years	March 28, 2005
Offender released from prison		June 29, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bonnie Wittner	

Alberto Ramos

2002 indictment

Ramos, a target of an investigation conducted by the New York Drug Enforcement Task Force was observed leaving a car carrying a gym bag and entering another car. Agents had information that Ramos was involved in sale of kilogram of cocaine. One kilogram of cocaine was recovered from inside the bag. Agents subsequently learned that he obtained the cocaine from a social club located at 131 Dumont Avenue in Brooklyn. Upon execution of a search warrant at that location 250 grams of cocaine and various drug paraphernalia, including a scale, sifter and calculator were recovered.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant was previously convicted in Queens County of the felony, Criminal Contempt in the First Degree, for disobeying an order of protection, forcing his way into an ex-girlfriend's apartment, assaulting her, threatening to shoot her father and threatening to kill her.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	March 31, 2003
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	March 29, 2005
Judge	Hon. Charles Tejada	

Anthony Rampino

1987 indictment

Detectives developed long term investigation during which Rampino sold 1/8 of a kilo of heroin to an undercover officer in the vicinity of 58th Street and First Avenue in Manhattan. Rampino admitted in tape recorded conversations that he was dealing drugs and earning three to five thousand dollars “a package”. He continued to deal drugs while incarcerated and awaiting trial on this case. In December 1987, Rampino arranged to smuggle heroin into prison while awaiting trial. Rampino worked for organized crime boss John Gotti and participated in the 1985 murder of Paul Castellano and Thomas Billotti. Rampino was not prosecuted for the murder because he had been sentenced on the drug case to a term of 25 years to life. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Prior to his arrest and incarceration on this case, Rampino had trafficked in heroin for most of his adult life. His earliest arrest occurred in 1962, and in 1966 was part of a major heroin distribution ring and sold heroin to an undercover officer. He was convicted in 1967 of the federal felony charge of Sale of Heroin, and in 1972 in Bronx County, the felony, Criminal Possession of a Dangerous Drug in the Fifth Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life	November 3, 1988
Decision on Resentencing	Denied	March 8, 2006
Judge	Hon. Edward McLaughlin	

Jose Reyes

1995 indictment

Reyes was the sole occupant of an apartment that was the subject of a search warrant execution. The apartment was located at 601 West 140th Street in Manhattan. A loaded .357 revolver was recovered from underneath the carpet in the front hall, 3 bags containing cocaine were recovered in a hidden compartment, or “trap,” in the hall behind the door, drug records and drug paraphernalia from the bedroom, and 3 more bags containing cocaine from the bathroom. The combined weight of the 6 bags of cocaine was 4 pounds. Police also recovered drug records, a scale, a heat sealer, plastic bags and rubber bands. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree, also convicted of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	17½ years to life	December 9, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	10½ years	July 15, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	Sept. 21, 2005
Judge	Hon. Richard Carruthers	

Barrington Reynolds

1988 indictment

Reynolds was a member of a large scale cocaine operation which proposed to sell multiple kilograms of cocaine per week to an undercover officer. Defendant was a lieutenant and bodyguard in a violent gang and a member of another gang previously that had put out a contract on the undercover officer's life. Defendant sold a ½ kilogram of cocaine to the undercover officer on one occasion for \$10,000, attempting to intimidate the undercover by showing him that he was armed with a gun during the sale. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant previously convicted of the violent felony, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree for the 1984 possession of a concealed, loaded .44 caliber handgun.

Extensive prison disciplinary record including drug possession.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life	June 14, 1989
Decision on Resentencing	22 years	May 27, 2005
Judge	Hon. Robert Strauss	

Luis Rivera

1990 indictment

Rivera was a member of a drug organization that distributed huge amounts of heroin and cocaine in Manhattan's Lower East Side in the late 1980's. He was one of the leaders of the organization which employed up to 30 managers and some days, sold more than 10,000 glassine envelopes of heroin a day. His apartment located at 159 Essex Street was used as a place where heroin and cocaine were packaged and stored before being distributed to storefront locations. Rivera, his co-defendant Luis Torres and others were responsible for the sale of pre-packaged "Black" brand name of heroin sold out of storefront businesses at 127 Stanton Street and 16 Clinton Street. When Rivera's apartment was searched, 2 pounds of cocaine, several guns, \$70,000, as well as drug paraphernalia were recovered. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree; also convicted of Conspiracy and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life	December 3, 1990
Decision on Resentencing	15 years	July 7, 2005
Offender released from prison		February 27, 2006
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

Jose Rodriguez

1997 indictment

Rodriguez was arrested after a long term investigation into narcotics dealing on West 139th Street between Broadway and Riverside Drive initiated in response to high volume of community complaints about cocaine and crack dealing in neighborhood. On May 21, 1997 defendant and his brother-in-law sold 20 grams of crack-cocaine (more than a 1/2 ounce) to an undercover officer. On May 29, 1997, defendant sold 70 grams of crack-cocaine (more than 2 ounces) to the same undercover officer. The sales occurred in front of 624 W. 139th Street. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree also convicted of Conspiracy.

Rodriguez was previously convicted of the felony, Attempted Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, for selling crack in the same building, 624 W. 139th Street.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	April 9, 1998
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	May 20, 2005
Judge	Hon. Michael Corriero	

Orlando Rodriguez

2003 indictment

After 2 weeks of surveillance in Elizabeth, New Jersey, officers observed Rodriguez take delivery of 100 kilograms (220 pounds) of cocaine, valued at more than \$2 million, which he intended to distribute. The drugs were worth many times that on the street. Rodriguez was stopped after driving a minivan across the George Washington Bridge into Manhattan. 100 kilograms of cocaine were recovered from 4 large duffel bags from the rear of a minivan. Conviction

by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant previously convicted of the felony, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	20 years to life	October 26, 2004
Decision on Resentencing	18 years Offender to decide to accept or appeal decision	February 17, 2006
Judge	Hon. Marcy Kahn	

Emilio Roque

1996 indictment

Officers in vicinity of 525 West 158th Street in Manhattan observed Roque leave apartment from which they recovered: a strainer, tin foil, a key to the apartment, a book containing drug records and 4 1/4 ounces of cocaine (in five bags under kitchen sink). Roque had \$1,354 on his person. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	March 26, 1997
Decision on Resentencing	9 years	March 23, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	May 18, 2005
Judge	Hon. Robert Strauss	

Tirso Salcedo

1996 indictment

Tirso Salcedo was arrested pursuant to a long term wiretap investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement Task Force into an international conspiracy to import hundreds of kilograms of cocaine and launder approximately \$20 million dollars in narcotics proceeds. Salcedo, the head of the organization, was responsible for arranging for the importation and storage of hundreds of kilograms of cocaine, overseeing managers who distributed the cocaine to customers, collecting proceeds of transactions, and ensuring that payments were made to Colombian suppliers. Salcedo maintained a ledger showing more than \$20 million dollars in payments to Colombian suppliers over the course of four months. At close of investigation, more than \$360,000 seized, along with records showing recent payments to Colombian suppliers of \$14 million dollars.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	40 years to life*	February 23, 2000
Decision on Resentencing	Denied	December 19, 2005
Judge	Hon. William Wetzel	

*20 years to life for each Possession count to run consecutively to each other but concurrent to 8 1/3 years to 25 on the Conspiracy in the Second Degree charge.

Wilfredo Schery

1994 indictment

Schery was arrested after a long term wiretap investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement Task Force. He was a cell-head of a major Colombian cocaine importation and distribution organization. He took delivery of shipments of hundreds of kilograms of cocaine, storing it primarily in a stash house in Westchester County. He was also responsible for overseeing the distribution of the cocaine in the New York City area, and for collecting, storing, and ultimately transmitting millions of dollars of narcotics proceeds back to Colombia. Schery employed between five and ten managers. During the investigation, more than \$1 million in cash was seized and about 300 kilograms of cocaine (660 pounds) were recovered. Conviction by plea. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

After New York conviction, Schery was convicted on additional charges of Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute Cocaine for federal crimes committed during his involvement in narcotics importation organization, including laundering more than \$5 million in narcotics proceeds.

		Date
Original Sentence	20 years to life	May 15, 1996
Decision on Resentencing	17 years	May 9, 2006
Judge	Hon. Arlene Goldberg	

Michael Singleton

1989 indictment

During an attempt by an undercover officer to purchase drugs from Singleton, he pointed a loaded gun at the undercover and demanded that the undercover officer take him to the person who sent him there to buy drugs. The undercover walked a distance with Singleton before he and his back up team wrestled the gun away from Singleton, who fled. Later, during the execution of a search warrant, Singleton was found in an apartment where 19 ounces of cocaine, one ounce of heroin, \$13,000, drug paraphernalia and the ammunition for the gun he pointed at the undercover officer were recovered. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree; also convicted of Criminal Possession of a Weapon.

Singleton was previously convicted of 2 violent felony weapon offenses, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree in Westchester County, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree in New Jersey. Defendant was also previously convicted of the felony, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree in New York County.

		Date
Original Sentence	18 years to life	January 4, 1991
Decision on Resentencing	18 years	June 17, 2005
Offender released from prison		August 16, 2005
Judge	Hon. Lewis Bart Stone	

Dave Smith

1987 indictment

Officers observed a man who matched a description of a robbery suspect flee into apartment 16 located at 161 Edgecombe Avenue in Manhattan. The individuals inside the apartment were attempting to hold the front door shut when the officers arrived. Dave Smith was observed fleeing to a rear bedroom. He fled downstairs to another apartment below where he was arrested. In apartment 16, the police recovered 1565 vials of crack-cocaine, a large bag containing powder cocaine, 24 pounds of marijuana, 300 crack vials and 6 loaded guns (1 was inoperable). Only a portion of the crack was tested, in accordance with existing police protocols intended to conserve time and expense. The police laboratory only tested cocaine necessary to meet aggregate threshold weight of 4 ounces. The aggregate weight of the 300 vials tested was cocaine was 4 3/8 ounces. The remaining cocaine was destroyed. Smith absconded before trial and a jury trial was conducted in his absence. Nine years later, Smith was apprehended and returned to begin serving his sentence.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree. Also convicted: Criminal Possession of a Weapon.

During the pendency of this case, Smith was arrested pursuant to a search warrant at another location where cocaine, crack and marijuana were recovered.

He pled guilty to Attempted Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree before warranted on that case as well.

Smith was sentenced in absentia to 25 years to life. He was returned on a warrant on September 21, 1998. At that time his sentence was modified to 22 years to life. On July 8, 2003, as part of a negotiated settlement of an appellate issue, Smith's sentence was further reduced to 15 years to life.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life	April 11, 1989
Sentence Modified	22 years to life	September 21, 1998
Sentence Reduced	15 years to life	July 8, 2003
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	June 24, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	December 22, 2005
Judge	Hon. Robert Strauss	

Juan Solares

2000 indictment

Solares was the focus of a long term investigation conducted by the New York City Police Department during the summer of 2000 in the vicinity of 144th Street and Broadway in Manhattan. On July 21st, July 28th and again on August 11th, 2000, he negotiated and delivered a quantity of 2 3/8 ounces of cocaine for \$2,000.00 to an undercover police officer.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	October 9, 2001
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	April 14, 2005
Judge	Hon. Edward McLaughlin	

Luis Solis

1992 indictment

Officers on patrol received a radio run of a burglary in progress at 565 West 145th Street in Manhattan. As they entered the lobby, they immediately saw Solis standing next to 2 other males. One of the males had a cocaine test kit, commonly used by police officers, in his hand, and the other male was holding a calculator. Solis and the others were standing next to a box which contained one pound and 1/8 ounces of cocaine.

Conviction by jury. Top count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Solis failed to appear for trial and was tried and sentenced in absentia. Solis was arrested in March 2001 for attempting to illegally enter the United States through Miami using a false passport. He was committed to state prison in 2001.

		Date
Original Sentence (In absentia)	18 years to life	March 19, 1993
Decision on Resentencing	10 years	June 24, 2005
Judge	Hon. Richard Carruthers	

Jorge Sprau

1986 indictment

Sprau and another male were seated in the back of a livery cab on West 99th Street and Amsterdam Avenue in Manhattan, and were stopped because they fit the description of homicide suspects. Two bags of cocaine were recovered from Sprau himself and five from the floor of the taxi for a total of 6 3/8 ounces of cocaine. Conviction by Jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Prior to the crime for which he is currently imprisoned, Sprau was convicted of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Fourth Degree in February of 1985, and for Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree, for possessing a loaded pistol in October of 1985.

While incarcerated on the drug conviction, defendant has committed and been convicted of 2 felonies. In 1989, defendant was convicted of Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree for possessing a sharpened piece of metal approximately ten inches long. He was sentenced to 1½ to 3 years to run consecutively to his drug conviction sentence. In 2002, defendant was convicted of Attempted Promoting Prison Contraband in the First Degree for possessing a razor blade melted into a toothbrush handle; he was sentenced to 1½ to 3 years to run consecutively to the drug sentence. He has been disciplined in prison repeatedly for incidents where he stabbed and assaulted other inmates.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	October 8, 1986
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	November 4, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	March 15, 2006
Judge	Hon. Edward McLaughlin	

Ryan Thai

1988 indictment

Thai was the target of a long term wiretap investigation. Defendant sold a pound and a half of heroin to an undercover officer. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree. Thai was denied resentencing because he was not in custody at the time of his application.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life	November 14, 1989
Decision on Resentencing	Denied*	July 19, 2005
Offender released from prison		June 27, 2005
Judge	Hon. Robert Stoltz	

* Offender was no longer in the custody of the New York State Department of Correctional Services.

Keith Thomas

1986 indictment

Thomas was the subject of a long term investigation. Defendant and his brother, Kevin Thomas, sold heroin and cocaine to an undercover officer on numerous occasions, totaling more than \$30,000 in sales. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Thomas previously convicted of the felony, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree. Thomas had an extensive prison disciplinary record.

		Date
Original Sentence	20 years to life	June 5, 1987
Decision on Resentencing	18.5 years	May 25, 2005
Offender released from prison		August 31, 2005
Judge	Hon. Roger Hayes	

Kevin Thomas

1986 indictment

Kevin was the subject of a long term investigation. Thomas and his brother, Keith Thomas, sold heroin to an undercover officer on several occasions in the Bronx and 66 West 120th Street in Manhattan. Kevin Thomas sold heroin totaling 10 ounces to an undercover officer on 3 separate occasions. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	20 years to life	June 5, 1987
Decision on Resentencing	18 years	August 29, 2005
Offender released from prison		August 31, 2005
Judge	Hon. Roger Hayes	

Wesley Thomas

2002 indictment

Police were conducting surveillance in an area known as a place where relatively large amounts of cocaine were sold to purchasers from outside the city. Thomas was observed in the area of West 139th Street and Hamilton Place purchasing a bag containing cocaine from an un-apprehended individual, and then he and a female entered a car. The car was stopped by observing police officers and upon their approach Thomas attempted to shove the bag under the passenger seat which he occupied. The bag contained 6 7/8 ounces plus 47.8 grains of cocaine. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant previously convicted in New Jersey of the felony, Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance with Intent to Distribute for 1998 possession of vials of crack-cocaine, a “rock” of crack cocaine, and drug packaging materials.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	November 15, 2004
Decision on Resentencing	12 years	May 23, 2005
Judge	Hon. William Wetzel	

Luis Torres

1990 indictment

Torres, known as “King”, was one of the leaders of a drug organization that distributed large amounts of heroin and cocaine on the lower east side in the late 1980’s. Along with co-defendant Luis Rivera and others, Torres was responsible for the sale of pre-packaged “Black” brand name of heroin sold out of storefront businesses at 127 Stanton Street and 16 Clinton Street. Torres, along with other leaders of the organization, employed at least thirty managers to sell heroin throughout the area and sold approximately 10,000 glassines of heroin a day. He supplied Black brand heroin, prepackaged, on consignment to dozens of managers, who then sold it on the streets in return for a share of the profits. The organization was disrupted in February 1989, when police made a number of arrests of managers, but Torres remained at large. Torres then began distributing two new brands of heroin on the lower east side, in place of the Black brand. On June 1, 1989, Torres was arrested and a search warrant executed at his apartment where police recovered a revolver and semiautomatic pistol with ammunition for each, large amounts of heroin and cocaine, drug paraphernalia, and prestamped packages with the new brands stamped on them, and \$ 75,000 in cash. They also recovered gold jewelry, including a ring with a “King” inscription and a crown shape on the top. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree. A \$1 million fine was imposed, and no portion has ever been paid.

Prior convictions: The current conviction is Torres’s fifth felony conviction. He was first convicted in 1970 for Possession of Dangerous Drugs in the Sixth Degree. He pled guilty to Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Fourth Degree in 1981, for a case involving hundreds of glassines of heroin on the lower east side and a separate arrest for possession of cocaine, heroin, drug paraphernalia and various pistols, and the district attorney’s papers in both cases note that Torres was known by the name “King”. In 1984, he pled guilty to Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree to cover two separate indictments involving selling drugs on the lower east side.

		Date
Original Sentence	50 years to life*	December 13, 1990
Offender re-sentenced		Awaiting Court’s Decision
Judge	Hon. Bruce Allen	

*12 1/2 to 25 years on the second-degree conspiracy and third-degree possession convictions, 7 1/2 to 15 years on the fourth-degree possession convictions, and 25 years to life on the first-degree possession conviction with the sentences imposed on the first-degree possession conviction and on two of the third-degree possession convictions to run consecutively, and all other sentences to run concurrently with each other.

Jeffrey Vasquez

2001 indictment

Beginning in March 2001, the New York Drug Enforcement Task Force began an investigation into narcotics activities at 518 East 136th Street in Manhattan.

Vasquez sold 4 3/8 ounces cocaine to an undercover officer on April 16, 2001.

Vasquez’s role in the narcotics organization was to transport large amounts of

cocaine, use a building owned by his parents to sell drugs, and work with another member of the drug organization to force other building tenants out of the building. He was observed on one occasion with 5 kilograms of cocaine which were never recovered.

Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	July 14, 2003
Decision on Resentencing	8 years	April 13, 2005
Judge	Hon. Bernard Fried	

Hector Vasquez

1980 indictment

Vasquez sold cocaine and heroin to an undercover officer on 3 separate occasions (12 ounces of cocaine for \$21,500, 7/8 ounces of heroin for \$12,500 and 4 ounces of heroin for \$48,500). Each sale took place in Vasquez's apartment on East 3rd Street in Manhattan. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant was released on parole on this case in 2000. Defendant was re-committed for parole violation after he was re-arrested and pled guilty to the felony, Attempted Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree in 2003. Defendant was previously convicted of the violent felony, Robbery in the Second Degree in 1958, Possession of Dangerous Drugs in the Third Degree in 1968, Sale of Dangerous Drugs in 1970, Possession of Dangerous Drugs in 1970, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance as a class A felony in 1975.

Nine months after resentencing and release, the defendant was arrested and indicted for Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree (sale on or near school grounds). On June 20, 2006, defendant pled guilty to the felony, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Fourth Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	20 years to life	August 7, 1981
Decision on Resentencing	18 years	May 2, 2005
Offender released from prison		April 21, 2005
Rearrested	Sale of narcotics – School Grounds	January 26, 2006
Judge	Hon. Ruth Sussman	

Nathaniel Walker

1985 indictment

Walker was a member of a violent drug gang (“The Vigilantes”) that trafficked heroin in Harlem in the 1980’s. He was indicted for 42 counts of sale and possession of heroin. He also also participated in the execution of a trial witness seven hours after the witness’s name was revealed during the Vigilantes leader’s (Nathaniel Sweeper) trial for murder. Walker shot the victim in the head and was carrying a loaded .38 caliber pistol when he was arrested. Conviction by plea.

Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Defendant also pled guilty to Murder in the Second Degree for the killing of the trial witness.

		Date
Original Sentence	25 years to life	June 23, 1986
Decision on Resentencing		Awaiting Court's Decision
Defendant released from prison		
Judge	Hon. Arlene Silverman	

* Concurrent to 25 years to life for the murder indictment.

George Williamson

1988 indictment

Williamson was a member of the violent crack-cocaine dealing gang the "Spangler Posse." On December 1, 1988, in the basement of 208 Edgecombe Avenue, near the corner of 145th Street in Manhattan, Williamson, together with another male, sold one-quarter of a kilogram of cocaine to an undercover police officer for \$5,000. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	18 years to life	June 4, 1990
Decision on Resentencing	Denied because in Immigration custody	March 31, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	March 24, 2005.
Judge	Hon. Edward McLaughlin	

Lashuan Withrop

1993 indictment

Officers in the area of West 151st Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan, observed Winthrop examining a softball sized package of cocaine which he purchased for \$8000. Winthrop fled when he saw the officers. He had just arrived from Virginia that morning and was planning to fly back later that day. The officers recovered one pound and 7 ounces of cocaine from Winthrop's jacket pockets. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

Winthrop previously convicted in Virginia of the felony, Distribution of a Controlled Substance (selling cocaine). Winthrop had an extensive prison disciplinary record.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	June 16, 1994
Decision on Resentencing	13 years	June 3, 2005
Offender released from prison		September 21, 2005
Judge	Hon. Michael Obus	

Nathaniel Worthy

1997 indictment

On March 25, 1997, West 138th Street and Amsterdam Avenue in Manhattan, police stopped the car in which defendant and 2 others were seated. Under the front seat a pound of cocaine, with a street value of between \$15,000 and \$19,000, was recovered. Worthy absconded before trial and was re-arrested in

possession of 4 ounces of cocaine. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	February 11, 1998
Decision on Resentencing	9 years	September 16, 2005
Offender released from prison		December 28, 2005
Judge	Hon. Lewis Stone	

Yoke Yew Tan

1994 indictment

As part of a long term investigation, on March 1, 1994, an undercover officer met with Tan and negotiated a future purchase of 2 ounces of heroin for \$11,000. On March 18, 1994, the two met again and the detective gave Tan \$11,000. The two of them walked to the front of 202 Elizabeth Street in Manhattan, where Tan gave the money to an un-apprehended male. That male gave Tan a bag, which he gave to the undercover officer. The bag contained more than 1 7/8 ounces of heroin. On April 26, 1994, the detective met with Tan again and negotiated a future purchase of 3 ounces of heroin for \$15,000. On April 28, 1994, the undercover officer gave Tan and the un-apprehended male \$15,000 in exchange for what was ultimately determined to be over 2 7/8 ounces of heroin. Conviction by jury. Top Count: Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the First Degree.

		Date
Original Sentence	15 years to life	June 20, 1995
Decision on Resentencing	10 years	July 13, 2005
Offender released from prison	Deported	April 1, 2006
Judge	Hon. Robert Strauss	