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Car Dealer Charged with Grand Larceny

Town of Salina, New York – Onondaga County Sheriff Kevin E. Walsh reports that Sheriff's Detectives have charged a Brewerton man with grand larceny in connection with a scheme to steal from his customers.

Anthony Spinella (45), of 9485 Steamship Manhattan, in Brewerton, was charged on March 2, 2010 with two counts of grand larceny in the 2nd degree, one count of falsifying business records in the 1st degree and one count of scheme to defraud in the 1st degree.

Spinella, owner of Spinella's Auto Sales, located at 2724 Brewerton Road, is accused of stealing money and property from multiple victims between September and December of 2009. Spinella is alleged to have acted in a systematic scheme by accepting a vehicle as a trade with the understanding that he would pay off the customer's existing lien. Spinella failed to make the required payments to pay off the liens on the traded vehicles and subsequently sold the traded vehicle without satisfying the existing loans with any of the lenders.



Additionally, Spinella is accused of selling extended warranties to customers and then failing to apply the money to complete the registration process with the company underwriting the extended warranties.

Spinella was arraigned in the Town of Salina Court on March 2nd, where bail was set in the amount of \$2,500 cash or \$5,000 bond.

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