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MONDAY, MAY 1, 2017

# Updated: Steve Croman's next Criminal Court date is tomorrow morning

Steve Croman, who is charged with 20 felonies and a civil suit accusing him of forcing tenants from their rent-controlled apartments, is due back in court tomorrow morning (Tuesday, May 2).

Croman tenants are holding a rally outside Manhattan Criminal Court at 100 Centre St. at 8:45 a.m. Afterwards, tenants are going to room 1333 on the 13th floor for the legal proceedings.

It has been nearly one year since State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman announced the charges against Croman. His criminal case has been adjourned and bail continued five times now, according to the Croman Tenants Alliance. (His civil court date is June 5.)

Case #: 013 Defendant: 0	72-2016 Iroman, Steve	n B			
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The criminal charges stem from false documents Croman submitted listing rent-regulated units as market-rate apartments and inflating his commercial rental rates to obtain better refinancing. His debt broker, Barry Swartz, was charged with 15 felonies. Croman and Schwartz pleaded not guilty in state Supreme Court last May.

Croman's real-estate empire includes 47 buildings with 617 units in the East Village. As previously noted, Croman owns more buildings in the East Village than any other landlord.

## Updated 11:30 a.m.

Richard Johnson at the *Post* this morning reported that Croman was

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going to cop a plea that will have him serve eight months behind bars and pay a fine of \$5 million to \$10 million.

Croman is said to be thrilled he will get off so lightly, and so is his wife, Harriet, who is part of a wealthy clique of Upper East Side moms.

Croman faced up to 25 years in prison on charges of harassing rent-stabilized tenants so he could lease their units at market rates and inflating his rental receipts in order to fraudulently secure \$45 million in bank loans.



POSTED BY GRIEVE AT 7:50 PM



LABELS: STEVE CROMAN

## 9 COMMENTS:

Anonymous said...

As usual, it pays to be rich. Unequal justice is the hallmark of our legal system in the USA.

MAY 2, 2017 AT 12:55 PM



Giovanni said...

The judge should absolutely not accept this plea deal—these are the biggest charges ever brought against a New York landlord, and eight months in jail is not enough for this greedy Neanderthal. Otherwise, the justice system is telling landlords that crime pays, and tenants rights don't matter. The free markets doesn't correct these kinds of abuses, only the justice system can.

MAY 2, 2017 AT 1:18 PM

Anonymous said...

I hope this duche bag gets justice served...

MAY 2, 2017 AT 9:46 PM



Scuba Diva said...

Giovanni said...

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I thought his name was Cro-magnon?

MAY 2, 2017 AT 10:00 PM

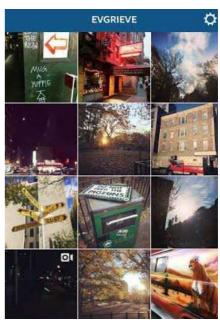
Giovanni said...

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@Scuba Diva. My apologies. You are correct. Neanderthal is too kind for his ilk. And this is one Cro-magnon that's going to need a good Crowbar tp get out of where he is going. Since his sentence may be less than a year, he might have to do alll of his time on Rikers Island, which from what I hear is even more crowded than the Hamptons in the summer, and their parties are supposed to be a total riot.

MAY 3, 2017 AT 1:14 AM

Anonymous said...

Croman gets away with a slap on the wrist and the tenants receive a slap in the face

MAY 3, 2017 AT 11:37 PM



coalitionmbr2 said...

Amazing how Croman committed bank fraud to the tune of \$65 Million Dollars - yet he outrageously only gets 8 months jail time (1/3 off for good behavior) and only has to pay back 5 to 10 million dollars.

Wow - He can keep all the rest of the money he stole and as soon as he gets out of the slammer he will be once again be enjoying his several mansions and his lavish, decadent lifestyle and his millions and millions of dollars.

MAY 3, 2017 AT 11:47 PM

Anonymous said...

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Anonymous said...

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