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## **MAN INDICTED FOR MURDER, MUTILATION OF ELDERLY BRONX MAN**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a man has been indicted for Murder and other crimes for bludgeoning and stabbing a 68-year-old man who had solicited an intimate relationship with him.

District Attorney Clark said, "The ferocity of the attack on this victim was shocking. The defendant now faces charges that could send him to prison for the rest of his life."

District Attorney Clark said that Jerry Pagan, 32, address unknown, was charged with second-degree Murder, first-degree Manslaughter and fourth-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon. Pagan was arraigned today before Bronx Supreme Court Justice William Mogulescu. He was remanded and is due back in court on March 30, 2017.

According to the investigation, on the evening of December 3, 2016, in the Sheridan Avenue home of the victim, Richard Reed, Pagan confronted Reed over a previous sexual encounter and struck him in the head with a hammer and stabbed him multiple times. Pagan then mutilated Reed's body.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Morgan Dolan of the Homicide Bureau, under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Deputy Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and the overall supervision of Nicole Keary, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division and Jeremy Shockett, Chief of the Trial Division.

**An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.**

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