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**BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS TO LIFE IN PRISON
FOR BASEBALL BAT KILLING OF MAN
Defendant Also Seriously Injured a Second Victim;
Pleaded Guilty to Murder As Trial Was Starting**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 20 years to life in prison for killing one man and seriously injuring another in an attack with an aluminum baseball bat.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant pleaded guilty to second-degree Murder for an attack that left one man dead and another with long-term injuries. He will now serve 20 years to life in prison for his brutality."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Kishoto Stanback, 45, of 156 West 174th Street, was sentenced on June 8, 2017 to 20 years to life in prison by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Lester Adler. Stanback pleaded guilty to second-degree Murder, the top charge on his indictment, on May 22, 2017.

According to the investigation, on October 15, 2014, in 1314 Nelson Avenue, Stanback pushed his way into an apartment and struck Julian Cleveland and Sandy King multiple times in the head with an aluminum bat, and left the weapon behind when he fled. Cleveland, 47, died of his injuries on December 1, 2014, and King required months of rehabilitation.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Jennifer Cruz and Michelle Villaverde of Trial Bureau 20 under the supervision of Meredith Holtzman, Chief of Trial Bureau 20 and Christine Scaccia, 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.

District Attorney Clark thanked NYPD Detectives Francis Orlando and Ernest Dorvil of the Bronx Homicide Squad for their work in this case.

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