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PROBATIONARY CORRECTION OFFICER INDICTED IN FATAL SHOOTING Defendant Charged With Manslaughter, Criminally Negligent Homicide in Off-Duty Incident That Left His Friend Dead

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man who was a probationary New York City Department of Correction officer has been indicted on second-degree Manslaughter and Criminally Negligent Homicide in the fatal shooting of a 35-year-old woman in his residence while he was off-duty.

District Attorney Clark said, "This case is a tragedy. The defendant, who was a correction officer and trained in firearm safety, allegedly handled a firearm recklessly and a shot was fired, striking and killing his friend."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Alain Samba, 42, of Ogden Avenue, was indicted on second-degree Manslaughter and Criminally Negligent Homicide. He was arraigned today before Bronx Supreme Court Justice William Mogulescu and bail was continued. He is due back in court on September 20, 2018. If convicted of the top charge, he faces up to five to 15 years in prison.

According to the investigation, at about 10:38 p.m. on March 21, 2018, inside Samba's apartment on Ogden Avenue, the defendant allegedly recklessly caused the death of Marie Jo Faye, 35, by causing a round to discharge and strike her in the chest.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ilya Kharkover, Supervisor, and Assistant District Attorney Ann Lee of the Public Integrity Bureau under the supervision of Omer Wiczyk, Deputy Chief of the Public Integrity Bureau and the overall supervision of Stuart Levy, Deputy Chief of the Investigations Division and Jean T. Walsh, Chief of the Investigations Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Assistant District Attorney Natasha Major of the Public Integrity Bureau for her work on the case.

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