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## BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS IN PRISON FOR KILLING A 21-YEAR-OLD MAN IN A FUSILLADE OF BULLETS Victim, a Father of Two Children, Died in Mother's Arms

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man was sentenced to 20 years in prison following his conviction for first-degree Manslaughter in the fatal shooting of a neighborhood acquaintance in 2015.

District Attorney Clark said, "This was an especially devastating crime; the defendant took the life of a young man, leaving his two children to grow up without a father. He fired ten gunshots on a Bronx street. He now will spend many years of his life behind bars. Hopefully this sentence provides the victim's family with a measure of peace and justice."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Alfonso Skeeter, 30, of 2311 Southern Boulevard, was sentenced today by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Martin Marcus to 20 years in prison followed by 5 years of post-release supervision. The defendant was convicted by a jury on May 15, 2018 of first-degree Manslaughter and second-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon.

According to the investigation, on the early morning of July 19, 2015, in front of 921 East 180<sup>th</sup> Street, the defendant fired at Raymond Rosello, 21, approximately ten times, striking him once in the leg and once in the back. The defendant then passed the weapon to another individual, who tossed it in a nearby garbage can in which it was later discovered. The wounded victim attempted to run home and collapsed and died in his mother's arms outside their building.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Burim Namani of the Homicide Bureau under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau and the overall supervision of Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division. District Attorney Clark thanked her Detective Investigators Brian O'Loughlin and John Reilly for their assistance in the investigation.