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**BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 18 YEARS IN PRISON FOR STABBING
GIRLFRIEND'S EX-BOYFRIEND MULTIPLE TIMES**
Victim Survived Despite Losing 20 Percent of his Blood

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 18 years in prison for stabbing his girlfriend's former boyfriend.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant, Joseph Urgitano, stabbed the victim repeatedly in the groin, abdomen and legs when he came to visit Urgitano's girlfriend. Now he has been held accountable for this brutal assault."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Joseph Urgitano, 51, of 1611 Bay Shore Avenue, the Bronx, was sentenced today to 18 years in prison and five years post-release supervision by Bronx Supreme Court Justice James McCarty. A jury found the defendant guilty of first-degree Assault on July 27, 2018.

According to the investigation, on June 15, 2014, the victim, Luis Quinones, was inside the vestibule of 2860 Buhre Avenue while he rang the doorbell. Video surveillance from the building showed Urgitano, also known as "Joey Cupcakes," and his girlfriend walking downstairs to the vestibule and then Urgitano stabbing Quinones. The defendant then followed Quinones upstairs, stabbed him with a knife again and ran out of the building. The weapon used during the attack was recovered and the defendant's DNA was found on the handle.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Masateru Marubashi of the Homicide Bureau and Assistant District Attorney Ketaki Chakrabarti of Trial Bureau 20 under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division. District Attorney Clark thanked Detective Darrell Julien of the NYPD for his assistance in the case.

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