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## RIKERS ISLAND INMATE INDICTED FOR ATTACK ON DOC OFFICER Defendant Allegedly Beat Officer, Dragged Him to Bathroom and Threw Garbage Can at Him

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Rikers Island inmate has been indicted for assaulting a NYC Department of Correction Officer in the jail.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant allegedly punched the officer and slammed him to the floor. Violence against Correction Officers who are performing their jobs will not be tolerated."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Rickeem Parker, 18, was arraigned today on two counts of second-degree Assault, third-degree Assault, second-degree Obstructing Governmental Administration and third-degree Menacing before Bronx Supreme Court Justice George Villegas. Bail was set at \$25,000 cash/\$25,000 bond and he is due back in court on May 15, 2019.

According to the investigation, on the morning of October 5, 2018 in the Robert N. Davoren Center on Rikers Island, the defendant allegedly assaulted Correction Officer Bronoski Jean-Philippe. Parker allegedly threw the Officer's water bottle and facility log book on the ground, and then flipped a table and punched the Officer in the face and body. Surveillance video shows the inmate slamming the Officer to the ground. He then dragged the Officer to the bathroom and threw a trash can on him.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Jeff Davis of the Rikers Island Prosecution Bureau, under the supervision of Deanna Logan, Chief of the Rikers Island Prosecution Bureau, and under the overall supervision of Tarek Rahman, Deputy Chief of the Investigations Division, and Jean T. Walsh, Chief of the Investigations Division. District Attorney Clark thanked Investigators Juan Rivera and Scott Frank of the Correction Intelligence Bureau for their assistance in the investigation.

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