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## **BRONX WOMAN SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR KILLING INFANT DAUGHTER Defendant Threw Baby Out Of Sixth-Floor Apartment Window**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx woman has been sentenced to three and one-third to ten years in prison after pleading guilty to second-degree Manslaughter in the death of her six-month-old daughter.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant, who was mentally impaired at the time, dropped her infant daughter from a window of their sixth-floor apartment. Justice was served in this tragic case."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Tenisha Fearon, 30, of 2200 Tiebout Avenue, was given an indeterminate sentence of three and one third years to ten years in prison by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Denis Boyle. The defendant pleaded guilty to second-degree Manslaughter on December 18, 2018.

According to the investigation, on October 15, 2015, in the afternoon, the defendant, whose mental condition was compromised by a psychotic symptom, was screaming about God, Satan and the end of days, and was throwing objects out her apartment window. Fearon then took her baby, Jahnyla Lawrence, who was naked, and dropped her out of the window. The child died of blunt force trauma shortly afterwards. There were three other children, also naked, in the apartment when the incident occurred--a 10-year-old boy and two girls ages eight and three.

The case was prosecuted by Nancy Borko, Deputy Chief of the Homicide Bureau, 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 Michael Moreno of the 46th Precinct and retired Detective Sean O'Leary of the Homicide Task Force.

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