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BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO JAIL FOR ASSAULTING MAN VISITING FROM ALABAMA

Jury Convicted Him of Third-Degree Assault; Victim Died After Head Hit Pavement

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 364 days in jail for assaulting an Alabama man on a Morrisania street, which led to the death of the victim.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant struck a father of two who was visiting the Bronx for his sister's baby shower. Although the defendant did not intend to kill him, the victim died that day after sustaining blunt trauma to the head."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Jimmy Rosario, 35, of 1234 Boston Road, was sentenced today to 364 days in jail, the maximum sentence, by Bronx Criminal Court Judge Frances Wang. A jury found the defendant guilty of third-degree Assault on October 11, 2019.

According to the investigation, at about 12:45 a.m. on June 22, 2019, inside a Kennedy Fried Chicken located at 1335 Prospect Avenue, the defendant and Troy Scott, 40, of Alabama, argued. Rosario grabbed Scott and pushed him down several stairs that led to a sidewalk, and a fistfight ensued between the two. As Scott began to withdraw from the altercation, Rosario punched him in the head, knocking him to the ground. Video of the incident shows Scott falling back on his head onto the pavement.

The defendant fled the scene before two Police Officers of the 42^{nd} Precinct found Scott. The victim was taken to Lincoln Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Jeffrey Kimelman, Supervisor in Trial Bureau 20, and Assistant District Attorney Justin Goldberg of Trial Bureau 20, under the supervision of Jennifer Cruz, Deputy Bureau Chief of Trial Bureau 20, and Meredith Holtzman, Chief of Trial Bureau 20, and under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division.



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