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BRONX MAN INDICTED ON ATTEMPTED MURDER AND ATTEMPTED RAPE CHARGES FOR ATTACKING WOMAN IN BUILDING HALLWAY Victim Was Strangled, Suffered Skull Fracture and Blood Loss

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced a Bronx man has been indicted on Attempted Murder, Attempted Rape, and additional charges for sexually assaulting, strangling, and beating a woman inside a University Heights building.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant allegedly attacked the victim in a hallway of her building. The brutality left the victim with fractured bones and blood loss. We will pursue justice for her."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Jason Dickerson, 34, of 2860 Bailey Avenue, was arraigned today on Attempted Murder in the first degree, Attempted Murder in the second degree, two counts of Attempted Rape in the first degree, two counts of first-degree Sexual Abuse, second-degree Sexual Abuse, first and second-degree Strangulation, Criminal Obstruction of Breathing or Blood Circulation, and second-degree Assault before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Raymond Bruce. The defendant was remanded and is due back in court on August 9, 2022.

According to the investigation, inside a hallway in a building on Davidson Avenue on March 11, 2022 at approximately 3:30 p.m., the defendant allegedly offered the victim, a 27-year-old woman, money for sex. The victim complied and after engaging in sexual acts Dickerson demanded his money back. When the victim refused to give him the money, he allegedly put his arm around her neck and strangled her repeatedly until she lost consciousness. Dickerson allegedly sexually abused the victim and attempted to rape her while she was unconscious. When the victim regained consciousness, she screamed loudly, and the defendant ran off. The incident was captured on surveillance video.

During the struggle, the defendant struck the victim causing a laceration to her face, as well as fractures to her skull and nasal bones. The victim had to remain in the hospital for days.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Tiffany Wichman of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, under the supervision of Deputy Chief Johanna Hernandez of the



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Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, Mimi Mairs, Chief of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, and under the overall supervision of Adrienne Giunta, Deputy Chief of the Special Victims Division, and Joseph Muroff, Chief of the Special Victims Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Detective Ernesto Castillo of the NYPD Bronx Special Victims Squad, Neighborhood Coordination Officer Gregory Scott of the 52nd Precinct, Detective Jaysen Basnight of the NYPD Crime Scene Unit, and Detective Ronald Hobson of the NYPD Bronx Warrant Squad for their assistance in the investigation.

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

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