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**NEW JERSEY MAN SENTENCED TO 14 YEARS IN PRISON FOR SHOOTING
WOMAN AFTER SHE REJECTED HIS SEXUAL ADVANCES
Jury Found Defendant Guilty of Attempted Murder**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a New Jersey man was sentenced to 14 years in prison for shooting a woman in the chest after she rejected his sexual advances.

District Attorney Clark said, “The defendant was told by the victim that she wasn’t interested in his advances. For saying no, she was grabbed, hit in the face with a gun, and shot in the chest. For the defendant’s violent and reprehensible actions, he will be heading to prison.”

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Kevin Hawse, 47, last of Union, New Jersey, was sentenced on June 9, 2022 to 14 years in prison by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Steven Barrett. The defendant was found guilty on May 20, 2022 of Attempted Murder in the second-degree and second-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon after a jury trial.

According to the investigation, on March 4, 2019, in an apartment inside 4160 Hutchinson River Parkway, the victim rejected the defendant’s sexual advances. The defendant grabbed the victim by the hair to drag her out of the apartment, hit her over the head with a gun and then shot her in the chest. The bullet went through her body and into a nearby wall. The victim was treated at NYC Health + Hospitals Lincoln for injuries. Hawse was apprehended in Los Angeles, California on April 29, 2019.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Ainis of Trial Bureau 20, and Senior Trial Assistant District Attorney Sarah Jacobson, under the supervision of Robert Ferrara, Supervisor of Trial Bureau 20, and Gregory Gentry, Team Leader of Trial Bureau 20 under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division. District Attorney Clark thanked Meredith Holtzman, Council to the Trial Division, Jennifer Cruz, Chief of the General Crimes Bureau, Assistant District Attorney Cassandra Chiamonte, Case Aide Miriam Rivera, Digital Forensic Examiner Tina Razack and the Digital



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District Attorney Clark thanked BXDA Detective Investigators Yanireth Pascal, Patrece Magwood, and John Watts.

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