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**BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 25 YEARS TO LIFE IN PRISON FOR FATALLY
SHOOTING MAN NEAR PLAYGROUND IN BROAD DAYLIGHT**
Defendant Convicted by Jury of Murder and Weapon Possession

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 25 years to life in prison for killing a man in a hail of gunfire near a NYCHA playground on a Sunday morning.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant opened fire on a Sunday morning near the Monroe Houses, shooting at the victim seven times, striking him twice. This is another example of a callous shooter, and with its verdict a Bronx jury has decided our community has had enough."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Jameel Campbell, 45, last of 800 Soundview Avenue, was sentenced today to 25 years to life in prison for second-degree Murder and 15 years in prison with five years' post-release supervision for second-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon which will run concurrently, by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Guy Mitchell. The defendant was convicted of the charges after a jury trial that lasted over a month.

According to the investigation, on September 13, 2020, at approximately 9:15 a.m. near 1770 Bruckner Boulevard, the defendant shot at Ezequiel Rivera, 27, seven times, two of those bullets stuck the victim leading to his death. Campbell fled to Atlantic City, NJ and was apprehended by authorities in February 2021.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Burim Namani, Counsel in the Homicide Bureau, along with Brittany Richardson of the Trial Bureau 40, under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and 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 Trial Preparation Assistants Jonathan Campa Pantaleon, and Jazmine Pagoada of the Homicide Bureau as well as NYPD Detectives Colin Higgins of



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Bronx Homicide and Jennifer Nicalek, now of the Intelligence Bureau Executive Protection Unit, for their work on the investigation.