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**MAN SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON FOR
STABBING AN OFF-DUTY MTA EMPLOYEE**
Victim Stabbed Multiple Times, Sustained Life-Threatening Injuries

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a man was sentenced to 10 years in prison for Attempted Murder in the second-degree for stabbing an off-duty MTA employee.

District Attorney Clark said, “Unprovoked, the defendant pulled out a large knife and stabbed the victim several times as he was waiting for a train in the Pelham Parkway station. The victim suffered grave injuries as well as severe trauma from the incident. Today’s sentence ensures this offender will be kept away from the public for many years.”

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Jamar Banks, 53, no known address, was today sentenced to 10 years in prison and five years post release supervision by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Jay Kim. Banks pled guilty to Attempted Murder in the second-degree on September 22, 2025.

According to the investigation, on January 2, 2025, the defendant started an argument with the victim, a 47-year-old MTA employee in uniform on his way to work on the northbound platform at Pelham Parkway station. Banks then pulled out a large kitchen knife and stabbed the victim in the back and left side of his body causing numerous lacerations that kept him out of work for several months.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Doty of Trial Bureau 50, under the supervision of Felicity Lung, Deputy Chief of Trial Bureau 50, and Lawrence Piergrossi, Chief of Trial Bureau 50, and under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of Trial Division and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of Trial Division.



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District Attorney Clark thanked Trial Preparation Assistant Mercedes Agramonte of Trial Bureau 50 for her assistance with the case.

District Attorney Clark thanked NYPD Detective Lashvejai Singh of the Bronx Transit Squad for his work in the investigation.