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**BRONX MAN INDICTED FOR MURDER AFTER TORTURING AND  
STABBING EX-GIRLFRIEND; DEFENDANT'S MOTHER ALSO CHARGED  
IN SLAYING**

**Victim Was Tied up for a Week, Brutalized With Hammer;  
Defendant's Mother Allegedly Concealed Body**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man and his mother have been indicted on first-degree Murder and additional charges for torturing and killing a Rhode Island woman.

District Attorney Clark said, "The victim was allegedly tortured by her ex-boyfriend for a week before he ultimately killed her. His mother allegedly helped cover his heinous actions by cleaning up the carnage he left in their home. The mother and son are now both indicted for murder."

District Attorney Clark said the defendants, Robert Stother, 27, and his mother Naida Jorge, 54, both of 2295 Grand Concourse, were indicted on two counts of first-degree Murder. Second-degree Murder, first-degree Manslaughter, two counts of first-degree Kidnapping, second-degree Kidnapping, fourth-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon, Concealment of a Human Corpse, Tampering with Physical Evidence, and first-degree Hindering Prosecution. The defendants were arraigned on August 18, 2025, by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Darlene Goldberg and were remanded. Their next court appearance is scheduled for November 13, 2025.

According to the investigation, on July 11, 2025, the victim, Princesa Encarnacion Soto, 21, began communicating with Strother, her ex-boyfriend, on social media and went to visit him in his Bronx home. From July 14<sup>th</sup> to July 22<sup>nd</sup>, the defendant allegedly tied Soto up with rope and repeatedly hit her with a hammer and slashed her all about the body. On July 22, 2025, the victim's severely beaten body was recovered from the stairwell of 2295 Grand Concourse.



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On July 22, 2025, residents of the building reporting seeing Jorge carrying multiple garbage bags. The investigation found the bags allegedly contained rope, pillows, towels, and sheets covered in blood. Jorge later allegedly told a neighbor to call police about the victim's body in the stairwell.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Johnathan Vega of the Homicide Bureau, under the supervision of Namani Burim, Deputy Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and 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 Digital Forensic Examiner Julie Moy of the Digital Forensic Lab, Laboratory Director Selena Ley, of the Digital Forensic Lab, and Video Technicians Jeffrey Pryor and Aristides Molina of the BXDA Video Unit for their work on investigation.

District Attorney Clark also thanked Detective Katherine Capote and Detective Ariel Lora of the 46<sup>th</sup> Precinct, Detective Shirley Perez Romero of Bronx Homicide. District Attorney Clark also thanked NYPD Officers Brandan Thompson and Hector Nieto of the 46<sup>th</sup> Precinct, FDNY Lieutenant Justin O' Grady, and the NYPD Crime Scene Unit for their work on the case.

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