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BRONX PROSECUTOR RECEIVES MORGENTHAU AWARD

Special Victims Division Chief Joseph Muroff Will Be Honored By DAASNY Today

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that Joseph Muroff, Chief of the Special Victims Division, is a recipient of the Morgenthau Award from the District Attorneys Association of New York (DAASNY).

District Attorney Clark said, “Joe just marked 40 years of serving the people of the Bronx—particularly the most vulnerable victims of crime—and is most deserving of this prestigious award. Joe was my team leader when I was an assistant DA and ever since, I have respected and admired his knowledge of the law, his compassionate and innovative approach to crime victims and his mentorship. Under his leadership, the Office has enhanced and expanded tailored services for the elderly, children, sexual assault, domestic violence and human trafficking victims, as well as rapid response to shooting victims. I am proud to have on my staff a leading authority on investigation and prosecution of these crimes.”

Mr. Muroff joined the Bronx District Attorney’s Office in 1986. Since 1992, he has served as Supervisor in the Complaint Room and Narcotics Bureau, then as a Deputy Chief in the Criminal Court, Rackets, and Domestic Violence/Sex Crimes (DVS) Bureaus, then as Chief of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes (CAS) Bureau. He was directly involved in establishing the Bronx Integrated Domestic Violence (IDV) Court Part, the first IDV Part in the city; the Bronx Sexual Assault Task Force and the Bronx Sexual Assault Response Team (SART), the first of its kind in the state; and the Child Advocacy Center co-locating ADAs, NYPD, doctors, Safe Horizon and other agencies.

The Morgenthau Award was established in 2009 and honors one Assistant District Attorney from each of four regions of New York State. The award, named after Robert M. Morgenthau, legendary New York County District Attorney, is given to individuals who embody the same professional accomplishments, integrity and commitment to justice Mr. Morgenthau possessed during his 34-year tenure.



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Mr. Muroff received the award today at DAASNY's Annual Awards Luncheon of the 2026 Winter Conference at the Intercontinental New York Barclay Hotel in Manhattan.