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### **News Advisory**

Retired NYPD Detective Athelson Kelson, 59, of Queens, was arraigned this afternoon before Queens Criminal Court Judge Elisa Koenderman on a charge of third-degree robbery. It is alleged that Kelson robbed a Chase bank in the St. Albans section of Queens last month.

The defendant was remanded and ordered to undergo a psychiatric examination. His next court date is September 12, 2008.

The defendant is being represented by Harold B. Ramsey (212-334-3099).

It should be noted that a complaint is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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