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## QUEENS MAN INDICTED ON MURDER CHARGES IN STABBING DEATH OF MOTHER'S HUSBAND

Defendant Faces Up to 25 Years-to-Life in Prison if Convicted

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz announced today that Andrew Hinton, 31, has been indicted by a Queens County grand jury and arraigned in Supreme Court on murder charges.

District Attorney Katz said, "Domestic disputes can escalate all-too-quickly into violence. This one erupted into tragedy after the defendant allegedly stabbed his mother's husband to death inside their Springfield Gardens home in the early morning hours of April 28, 2021."

Hinton, of North Conduit Avenue in Jamaica, Queens, was arraigned late Monday before Queens Supreme Court Justice Kenneth Holder on an indictment charging him with murder in the second degree and criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree. Justice Holder set a return date for June 28, 2021. If convicted, Hinton faces up to 25 years-to-life in prison.

According to the charges, at approximately 1 a.m., the victim, Henry Garland, 41, was engaged in an argument with the defendant's mother, inside their Springfield Gardens home. The defendant intervened. Hinton allegedly pulled out a pocketknife and fatally stabbed Mr. Garland three times, once in the neck, back and hand.

Mr. Garland was transported to a Queens local hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The investigation was conducted by Detective Joseph Manzella of the New York City Police Department's 113<sup>th</sup> Detective Squad under the supervision of Sergeant Christopher Esposito and Lieutenant David Leonardi and Detective Michael Maus of the NYPD'S Queens Homicide Squad under the supervision of Sergeant Christopher Keefer and Lieutenant James McGarry.

Assistant District Attorney Franchesca Basso, of the District Attorney's Homicide Bureau, is prosecuting the case under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys Peter J. McCormack III, Senior Deputy Bureau Chief, John W. Kosinski and Karen Ross, Deputy Bureau Chiefs and under the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Daniel A. Saunders.

Criminal complaints and indictments are accusations. A defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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