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MASPETH MAN ARRAIGNED IN STABBING DEATH

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

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz announced today that Olmedo Osorio, 46, has been indicted by a Queens grand jury and arraigned in Supreme Court on murder and other charges for allegedly stabbing a 55-year-old man to death during a dispute across from a Queens bar on September 19, 2022.

District Attorney Katz said, "As alleged, the defendant viciously took the life of another man over little more than a heated exchange of words on the street. We will not tolerate violence infiltrating our daily interactions and destroying of our sense of public safety in Queens county. He has been indicted and now faces justice in our courts."

Osorio, of 52nd Avenue in Maspeth, Queens, was arraigned today before Queens Supreme Court Justice Ushir Pandit-Durant on an indictment charging him with murder in the second degree, tampering with physical evidence and criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree. Justice Pandit-Durant ordered the defendant to return to Court on November 30, 2022. If convicted, Osorio faces 25 years-to-life in prison.

According to the charges, on Monday, September 19, 2022, at approximately 2:40 a.m., the defendant became involved in a dispute with the victim Freddy Jimenez at a bus stop near the intersection of 69th Street and Roosevelt Avenue. The defendant stabbed the victim multiple times with a knife then left the scene. Police later recovered a knife from a backyard nearby.

Continuing, said DA Katz, Mr. Jimenez was transported to a local Queens hospital and died later that morning due to his injuries.

The investigation was conducted by Detective Mikael Djam of the 108th Precinct Squad and Detective Lizabeth Klein of the Queens North Homicide Squad of the New York Police Department.

Assistant District Attorney Jonathan Selkowe and Assistant District Attorney Kenneth Koo of the District Attorney's Homicide Bureau is prosecuting the case under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys Peter McCormack III and John W. Kosinski, Senior Deputy Bureau Chiefs, and Karen Ross, Deputy Bureau Chief, 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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