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GUILTY TO MANSLAUGHTER

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DEFENDANT PLEADS GUILTY TO MANSLAUGHTER IN DEADLY SHOOTING OF ELMONT MAN

Defendant Faces Up to 20 Years in Prison at Sentencing

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz announced that Edson Giron Figueroa pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the 2021 shooting death of a 25-year-old Elmont man in Jamaica, Queens.

District Attorney Katz said: "By pleading guilty, the defendant admitted responsibility for ending a man's life during a craven robbery attempt. I hope this resolution brings closure for the victim's family."

Giron Figueroa, 21, of 108th Avenue in Jamaica, Queens, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the first degree. Justice Kenneth Holder is expected to sentence Giron Figueroa on March 21 to 20 years in prison and five years post-release supervision.

According to the charges, at approximately 2:40 a.m. on Saturday, July 24, 2021, the defendant walked to a commercial building on 150th Street near 105th Avenue in Jamaica looking to rob someone at gunpoint. Giron Figueroa approached the victim, Albert Serrato, from behind and pointed the gun while demanding money. When Serrato turned around, the defendant fired several times and ran away. The defendant later asked a friend to dispose of the gun.

Senior Assistant District Attorney Kenneth Zawistowski, of the District Attorney's Homicide Bureau, prosecuted the case, with the assistance of Assistant District Attorneys Bryan Kotowski and Emily Collins, under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys Peter McCormack III and John Kosinski, Senior Deputy Bureau Chiefs, and under the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Shawn Clark.

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