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MASPETH MAN CONVICTED OF MURDER FOR STABBING FELLOW BAR PATRON IN THE HEART AT WOODSIDE BUS STOP

*Defendant Knifed Victim, Tossed Weapon in Backyard;
Faces 25 Years to Life in Prison at Sentencing*

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz announced that Olmedo Osorio was convicted of murder in the second degree for the fatal stabbing of 55-year-old Freddy Jimenez during an argument at a Woodside bus stop in September 2022. The men had been inside the same bar shortly before the altercation.

District Attorney Katz said: "This defendant brutally and repeatedly stabbed a man at a Woodside bus stop, with one knife wound landing in the victim's heart. Olmedo Osorio's actions have caused unimaginable grief and trauma for the loved ones of Freddy Jimenez. With this jury conviction, the defendant now faces up to 25 years to life at his sentencing."

Osorio, 50, of Maspeth, was convicted by a jury late yesterday afternoon of murder in the second degree, tampering with physical evidence and criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree.

Trial openings began on January 14 and summations took place on January 23. The jury deliberated for approximately three hours before reaching a verdict yesterday. Queens Supreme Court Justice Mary Bejarano set sentencing for February 26 when Osorio faces 25 years to life in prison.

DA Katz said that, according to the charges and trial testimony, on September 19, 2022, at approximately 1:45 a.m., Osorio and victim Jimenez were both patrons inside Pasiones Sports Bar on 69th Street in Woodside. The defendant ordered a beer but did not have enough cash to pay for it. The bar staff told Osorio that he could have the drink but then had to leave afterward because he could not pay. The defendant attempted to order another drink, did not have money to pay, and at approximately 2:19 a.m. was told by the bar manager to leave the premises.

The victim did not interact with the defendant while both were inside the bar.

At approximately 2:38 a.m., Jimenez left the bar and walked to a nearby bus stop. The defendant was seated at a bus stop across the street and the two exchanged words. The victim then walked across the street and approached the defendant, who stood up and pushed the victim. The two got into a physical altercation and Osorio stabbed Jimenez seven times. The defendant fled the location and discarded the knife behind a nearby house.

Jimenez was taken to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead. The Office of Chief Medical Examiner determined that Jimenez suffered seven stab wounds, one of which penetrated his heart and caused his death.

Assistant District Attorneys Nicole Rella of the District Attorney's Homicide Bureau, and Abigail Neuville of Felony Trial Bureau IV, prosecuted the case under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys John Kosinski, Homicide Bureau Chief, and Karen Ross and Jonathan Selkow, Deputy Chiefs, and under the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Shawn Clark.

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