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## **NYPD SCHOOL SAFETY OFFICER INDICTED FOR FALSELY ARRESTING MAN AFTER PARKING SPACE DISPUTE**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a New York Police Department School Safety Officer has been indicted for falsely arresting a Bronx man in retaliation for a dispute over parking near an NYPD office in the Tremont section of the Bronx.

District Attorney Clark said, "This police officer allegedly abused his authority to settle a petty score in a months-long parking feud between residents and officers assigned to the School Safety Division office on Arthur Avenue. He is a 15-year veteran of the NYPD and should have known that such unprofessional conduct undermines the public's trust in law enforcement."

District Attorney Clark said that the defendant, William Stanley, 43, a School Safety Officer, has been charged with two counts of first-degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing, two counts of second-degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing, two counts of first-degree Falsifying Business Records, two counts of second-degree Falsifying Business Records, Making a Punishable False Written Statement, second-degree Unlawful Imprisonment and Official Misconduct.

Stanley was arraigned today before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Steven Barrett and was released. He is due back in court on February 1, 2017. If convicted of the top charge, he could face up to 1 1/3 to 4 years in prison.

District Attorney Clark said that, according to the investigation, on March 22, 2016, Stanley and another officer were arguing with a man who wouldn't move his car so officers assigned to the NYPD School Safety Division office at 1932 Arthur Avenue could park there. Orville Walsh, 49, a neighbor of the man, got involved in the dispute. The officers complained to their lieutenant, who assigned Stanley to control parking on the block the next morning.

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According to the investigation, the next morning, March 23, 2016, Stanley was outside Walsh's home on Arthur Avenue and when Walsh emerged Stanley placed him under arrest for disorderly conduct for blocking pedestrian traffic. Stanley did not permit Walsh to retrieve his ID and brought Walsh to the School Safety office.

Stanley was directed to take Walsh to the 48<sup>th</sup> Precinct, where Walsh was issued a summons for disorderly conduct. As Walsh left the precinct, Stanley allegedly said, "You guys aren't going to be parking here."

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Stephen Knoepfler and Natasha Major of the Public Integrity Bureau, under the supervision of Omer Wiczuk, Deputy Chief of the Public Integrity Bureau, and Wanda Perez-Maldonado, Chief of the Public Integrity Bureau, under the overall supervision of Stuart Levy, Deputy Chief of the Investigations Division, and Jean T. Walsh, Chief of the Investigations Division.

**An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.**

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