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Courtesy: Brown family

Raymond Mayrant Gets 50-to-Life for Shooting Girlfriend, Killing Mom

(Bronx, NY – January 5, 2016) -- It was the first New York City murder of 2016. And, Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark announces, **RAYMOND MAYRANT** is one of the first defendants to be sentenced in 2016 – his crime, killing one woman and critically injuring another.

Supreme Court Justice Alvin Yearwood today sentenced the 28-year-old MAYRANT to 50-years-to-life in prison following a jury's conviction for:

Murder in the 2nd Degree (Class A-1 Felony)
Attempted Murder in the 2nd Degree (Class B Felony)

ELZINA BROWN was a school crossing guard whose mission it was to protect the sons and daughters of her neighborhood. So, on January 3, 2013, when she heard her daughter screaming, the 59-year-old woman acted on pure instinct – she responded to her daughter's cries for help. But **RAYMOND MAYRANT**, the jealous father of her child, did not just attack the younger woman, 25-year-old **DIAMOND DUNN**, shooting her in the head and face. He also walked into Elzina Brown's bedroom and executed her with a single bullet at close range.

MAYRANT fled to Connecticut, then Maine, Pennsylvania and Ohio. When he ran out of money more than a week later, he called his employer. That led to his arrest.

In court today, members of the family expressed both grief and forgiveness. Laura Dunn, Elzina Brown's daughter and Diamond's sister, noted she heard no remorse from MAYRANT during his testimony during trial – *"That [there was] no remorse or admittance [sic] of accountability of your actions or such a tragedy left me in awe.*

"I just pray one day when your daughter asks you, 'Why did you do that? What happened,' that you are able to be man enough to hold yourself accountable for what you have done. For my mother is irreplaceable, as well as you [are] to your daughter.

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"There are no winners in this situation."

In sentencing MAYRANT to 25-years-to-life for each count, to be served consecutively, Justice Yearwood offered strong words: *"I tried to find something redeeming about you. I could not find a single thing redeeming about you."*

"You got up on the witness stand and you lied. All of your lies floated together the way a brook floats downstream."

"You have sentenced that child to a lifetime of sorrow by taking her grandmother and trying to kill her mother."

The case against RAYMOND MAYRANT was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Raymond Valerio and Maeve Huggins of the Bronx D.A. Domestic Violence Bureau.

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Indictment, photos, 911 call at: <http://tinyurl.com/RaymondMayrant>