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BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO NINE YEARS IN PRISON FOR ASSAULTING BUS DRIVER WHO LATER DIED FROM INJURIES

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a 32-year-old Bronx man has been sentenced to nine years in prison with five years post-release supervision for the death of a school bus driver.

District Attorney Clark said, "The victim, Juan Delvalle, was a 65-year-old man who had plans to retire and live with his daughter, and his life was lost over a minor traffic dispute."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Joey Scott, 32, of 1920 Anthony Avenue, was sentenced by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Ralph Fabrizio to nine years in prison with five years of post-release supervision. Scott pleaded guilty on May 19, 2016, to first-degree attempted manslaughter.

According to the investigation, shortly before noon on June 11, 2012, Delvalle was driving a school bus and side-swiped a doubled-parked car outside of Scott's residence. Scott came outside and saw the damage and demanded that Delvalle not call the police and instead pay him for the damage.

When Delvalle refused, Scott punched the man twice in the face. Delvalle fell to the ground and struck his head on the pavement. Delvalle lapsed into unconsciousness and was taken to a hospital where he was placed on life support, and died of his injuries on June 22, 2012. The cause of death was blunt force trauma to the head with skull fractures and brain injury.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney John Miras of the Trial Bureau 30/40 as well as Supervising Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Cruz of the Trial Bureau 20/50.

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