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**TWO NYC DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION OFFICERS CONVICTED OF ASSAULTING INMATE; TWO OTHERS CONVICTED OF FILING FALSE REPORT OF INCIDENT**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that two New York City Department of Correction Officers have been found guilty of beating an inmate at a Rikers Island jail, and two officers were convicted of filing a false report to justify the use of force.

District Attorney Clark said, "A Bronx jury and a judge have convicted these officers of pummeling an inmate because he cursed at them, and it sends a strong message that excessive force by those sworn to maintain order on Rikers Island is never acceptable. We will continue to prosecute anyone who commits violence there."

District Attorney Clark said defendant Christopher Huggins, 34, was convicted of second-degree Assault and first-degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing and Ronald Donnelley, 63, was convicted of first-degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Michael Gross today, October 27, 2016, following a two-week trial.

District Attorney Clark said that a jury convicted Michael Dorsainvil, 36, of second-degree Assault and first-degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing, and defendant Mark Anglin, 38, of first-degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing, on October 26, 2016, after the trial before Justice Gross.

Huggins and Dorsainvil face up to seven years in prison, and Anglin and Donnelley each face up to four years in prison, when they are sentenced on December 7, 2016.

According to trial testimony, on March 15, 2013, inmate Carl Williams was being escorted back to the George Motchen Detention Facility following a court appearance and began cursing the officers when they confiscated a bag of food from him and threw it in the garbage.



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According to testimony and to video played at the trial, Anglin, Dorsainvil and Huggins placed Williams into a holding cell. They entered the cell and held him down on the floor while Huggins used his knee to batter Williams' head. Donnelley stood outside watching. Williams suffered contusions, bumps and cuts to his face and head, and needed nine stitches for a cut to his mouth.

During a review by the Department of Correction, discrepancies were discovered in the use of force and witness reports. The defendants claimed that they intervened because Williams was threatening to hang himself with a string pulled from his bag, a claim that was contradicted by Department of Correction video recordings of the incident that showed Williams had no bag with him when he entered the holding cell.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Pishoy Yacoub, Deputy Director of the Litigation Training Unit, and Joseph Marciano of the Public Integrity Bureau, under the supervision Wanda Perez-Maldonado, Chief of the Public Integrity Bureau, Stuart Levy, Deputy Chief of the Investigations Division and Jean T. Walsh, Chief of the Investigations Division.

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