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**BRONX MAN CONVICTED OF MURDERING, DISMEMBERING
HIS MOTHER
Defendant Took Photo With Victim's Severed Head**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been convicted of second-degree Murder for killing his mother and dissecting her body.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant fatally stabbed his mother and then chillingly took photos with her mutilated corpse. A jury has found him guilty of these horrific acts and now he faces many years in prison."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Bahsid McLean, 26, of 645 Westchester Avenue, was convicted by a jury on Nov. 4, 2016 of second-degree Murder and one count of Public Health Law 4210-A (Unlawful dissection of the body of a human being) after a nearly month-long trial before New York Court of Claims Justice Jeanette Rodriguez-Morick. McLean faces up to 25 years to life on the murder charge when he is sentenced on December, 5, 2016.

According to trial testimony, on February 25, 2013, McLean stabbed his mother, Tanya Byrd, 45, to death in her Morrisania apartment. He proceeded to dissect Byrd's body and took photos with her severed head. He discarded her remains in garbage bags inside suitcases, which he dumped throughout his neighborhood after telling a friend he wanted to take the trash out.

The case was investigated and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Aaron Kaplan, Deputy Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau, and Amy Omens, under the supervision of Amy Litwin, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

District Attorney Clark would like to thank Bronx District Attorney's Detective Investigators Marc Conelli, John Wall and John Might, as well as the Crime Strategies and Case Enhancement Unit and Video Technician Alex Moskalenko.

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