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**BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 23 YEARS FOR FIRST-DEGREE RAPE OF  
WOMAN HE OFFERED TO ESCORT TO TRAIN STATION  
Defendant Dragged Woman Off Street Into Alleyway; Brutally Attacked Her**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 23 years in prison for first-degree crimes of Rape, Criminal Sexual Act and Sexual Abuse of a woman who had asked him for directions to the train station in Morris Park.

District Attorney Clark said, "This horrifying crime shocked the community with its randomness and brutality. A jury convicted the defendant and now he will spend 23 years in prison, which we hope will bring a measure of justice to his courageous victim and assure the community the streets are safer with this predator behind bars."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Francisco Delarosa, 30, of 2327 Grand Concourse, was convicted by a jury on June 9, 2017, after a two-week trial before Bronx Supreme Court Justice John Carter of first-degree Rape, first-degree Criminal Sexual Act, first-degree Sexual Abuse, and Petit Larceny.

The defendant was sentenced today to 23 years in prison. Upon his release, he will have to register as a sex offender.

According to trial testimony, on May 27, 2015, in the Morris Park section of the Bronx, the 32-year-old victim was walking down the street and asked the defendant where the train station was, and the defendant offered to show her. He then dragged her into an abandoned alleyway and raped and sexually abused her.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Gabrielle E. Martin and Benjamin K. Kleinman of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, under the supervision of Rachel Ferrari, Chief of Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, and the overall supervision of Joseph Muroff, Chief of the Special Victims Division. District Attorney Clark also thanked NYPD Detective Diane Crowley, formerly of the Bronx Special Victims Unit, for her work on the case.