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**BRONX TEEN SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS TO LIFE IN PRISON FOR KILLING  
MAN HE PURCHASED CELLPHONE FROM THROUGH CRAIGSLIST  
Defendant Found Guilty By Jury Of Second-Degree Murder**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a 19-year-old Bronx teen has been sentenced to 15 years to life in prison for fatally stabbing a man from whom he purchased a cellphone through a Craigslist ad.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant killed a man over a petty cellphone squabble and then callously fled with the victim's possessions. For this heartless act, this teen will spend the majority of his life behind bars."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Dalen Joseph, 19, of 140 Benchley Place, was sentenced on March 23, 2018 to 15 years to life in prison by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Martin Marcus. Joseph was found guilty of second-degree Murder on Feb. 16, 2018 following a two-week-long jury trial.

According to the investigation, on July 15, 2015, on the corner of Fordham Road and Jerome Avenue, the defendant bought an iPhone from Isaac Fashakin, 32, who had advertised the item on Craigslist. After meeting up and purchasing the phone, the defendant asked Fashakin to meet again to buy another phone, claiming the phone he purchased was locked. Upon meeting again, Joseph stabbed Fashakin six times, causing his death, and robbed him of his wallet, credit cards, cash and other cellphones the victim intended to sell.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney George Suminski, Homicide Counsel under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau and under the overall supervision of Nicole Keary, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Detective Brian Shea of the NYPD Bronx DA squad and Officers Brian Vanduzer, Edmundo Rivera, and Raymond Perez of the 52<sup>nd</sup> precinct as well as Officer Keslyn Grant of the 109<sup>th</sup> precinct, formerly of the 52<sup>nd</sup> precinct.