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## FEMALE INMATE SENTENCED TO 6 ½ TO EIGHT YEARS IN PRISON FOR SEXUAL ABUSE OF FELLOW INMATE AND ASSAULTS ON INMATES AND CORRECTION OFFICERS ON RIKERS ISLAND

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a female inmate on Rikers Island has been sentenced to six and a half to eight years in prison with eight years post-release supervision after pleading guilty to sexually abusing one inmate and assaulting two inmates and six NYC Department of Correction Officers on Rikers Island.

District Attorney Clark said, "This defendant sexually brutalized a cellmate in view of a surveillance camera, beat another inmate, and caused a third inmate to break a wrist. She also attacked six Correction Officers. Now she will be incarcerated in state prison for committing so much violence in jail."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Alexandria James, 24, was sentenced today by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Ralph Fabrizio to six and a half to eight years in prison and eight years post-release supervision. She must register as a sex offender and she voluntarily waived her right to appeal. James pleaded guilty on October 5, 2018 to third-degree Aggravated Sexual Abuse and Attempted Assault in the second degree for attacks on female inmates, and to Attempted Assault in the Second Degree for assaults on officers.

The defendant, while housed in a segregated cell with another inmate in the Rose M. Singer Center, subjected the inmate to two days of assaults, culminating in penetrating her while wearing a makeshift phallic device. The cell was under video observation and all the incidents were recorded.

The defendant beat an inmate and tore hair out of her head after gaining access to a locked area where the inmate was working. Also, the defendant, believing an inmate had tried to have her removed from the housing area, pushed the inmate and she fell and broke her wrist. That inmate sent a letter to the Bronx District Attorney's Office, which led the Rikers Island Prosecution Bureau to begin an investigation.



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The defendant shoved, kicked, hit or choked six Correction Officers in separate incidents.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Sarah Clements of the Rikers Island Prosecution Bureau under the supervision of Sheryl Konigsberg, Supervisor, and Deanna Logan, Chief of the Rikers Island Prosecution Bureau, and the overall supervision of Jean T. Walsh, Chief of the Investigations Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Investigator Scott Frank of DOC Correction Intelligence Bureau, Detective Investigators Timothy Gernon and Monisara Brahm of the Bronx DA's Squad and Assistant District Attorney Jeffrey Davis for their assistance in this case.

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