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BRONX MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO MANSLAUGHTER IN SHOOTING
Defendant Will Be Sentenced to 15 Years in Prison, To Run Concurrent With
Five-Year Sentence for Gun Possession

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has pleaded guilty to first-degree Manslaughter and will be sentenced to 15 years in prison. The sentence will run concurrently with a five-year sentence for gun possession in a separate case.

District Attorney Clark said, “The defendant shot more than a dozen bullets at a man during a dispute, killing him. He has been held accountable for this brazen shooting, and hopefully it sends the message that we will not tolerate gun violence ravaging our communities.”

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Daniel Rice, aka “Capone,” 43, of 291 East 143rd Street, pleaded guilty today to first-degree Manslaughter before Bronx Supreme Court Justice James McCarty. He is due to be sentenced on January 13, 2021 to 15 years in prison and five years post-release supervision. The defendant waived his right to appeal. The sentence will run concurrently to a pending sentence of five years in prison and five years post-release supervision which he received for pleading guilty on October 7, 2020, to second-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon.

According to the investigation, on October 23, 2016, at about 2 a.m., the defendant, who uses a wheelchair, fired multiple shots at Kevin Thomas, 28, during a dispute in the Mott Haven Houses, striking the victim 13 times. He fled the scene and was arrested on January 20, 2017, in a location in the Bronx. When detectives found him, he was in possession of a loaded Glock semi-automatic pistol unrelated to the fatal shooting.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Morgan Dolan, Homicide Counsel, under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division. District Attorney Clark thanked retired NYPD Detective Oscar Rosa, and NYPD Detectives Sean Butler of Bronx Homicide and Joseph Parchen of the Violent Felony Squad for their assistance in the case, as well as Trial Preparation Assistant Kimberly Cameron and Case Aide Janelle Rosa of the Homicide Bureau.