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**BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON FOR SETTING FIRE
TO EX-GIRLFRIEND'S APARTMENT
Building Residents Had to Be Evacuated**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 10 years in prison and five years post-release supervision after being convicted by a jury of arson and burglary for setting his ex-girlfriend's apartment on fire.

District Attorney Clark said, "After an argument with his ex-girlfriend, the defendant broke into the apartment they had shared and set fire to a mattress and futon. In his desire to do harm to the victim, he also placed everyone in the building in jeopardy. Fortunately, no one was injured. The defendant has been held accountable for his reckless actions."

The defendant, Michael Williams, 57, of Mohegan Avenue, was sentenced today to 10 years in prison and five years post-release supervision for second-degree Arson and five years in prison and five years post-release supervision for second-degree Burglary, the sentences to run concurrently, by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Audrey Stone. He was found guilty of the charges by a jury on September 24, 2024.

According to the facts brought out at trial, on June 1, 2023, the victim left her apartment on Mohegan Avenue, which she formerly shared with the defendant, and during the day the defendant called her multiple times arguing over their relationship. The defendant broke into the apartment and set fire to a mattress in one bedroom and to a futon in another bedroom. He then turned on a stove burner and left the apartment. Residents of the building were forced to evacuate. The apartment had blackened walls and extensive smoke and water damage.

The case was prosecuted by Major Case Assistant Megan Leo of the Domestic Violence Bureau under the supervision of Simon Folkard, Deputy Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau and Agata Digiovanni, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau under the overall supervision of



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Adrienne Giunta, Deputy Chief of the Special Victims Division and Joseph Muroff, Chief of the Special Victims Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Esposito of the Domestic Violence Bureau for her assistance with this case.

District Attorney Clark thanked FDNY Fire Marshals Michael Pritchett and Thomas Boland for their assistance in the investigation.