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## Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson Announces the Indictment of Kendel Felix in the Murder of Menachem Stark

Felix' Arrest Comes After an Intensive Investigation

**Brooklyn, NY**. Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson announced the indictment of Kendel Felix for his participation in the kidnapping and murder of Menachem Stark on January 2, 2014. The NYPD and the District Attorney's Office launched a joint investigation to identify and prosecute the individuals who took part in the kidnapping and murder of Stark. Felix faces a charge of Murder in the Second Degree, which carries a penalty of 25-years-to-life in prison.

"I applaud our Homicide and Rackets Bureaus for their work with our partners at the NYPD in getting to the bottom of this horrific crime, and helping us get one step closer to securing justice for Menachem Stark and his family" said District Attorney Ken Thompson.

According to court documents, and surveillance videos, Stark was approached and accosted on the street by two individuals as he left his office located at 331 Rutledge Street on January 2, 2014 at approximately 11:30p.m. After an extended physical struggle with those individuals, Stark was forced into a waiting vehicle and abducted from the location. On January 3, 2014 at approximately 4:00p.m., less than 17 hours after the kidnapping, Stark's partially burned corpse was discovered by Nassau County Police in a garbage dumpster at a gas station located in Great Neck, Long Island. The Nassau County Medical Examiner's Office conducted an autopsy on Stark, and determined the cause of death to be asphyxia by compression of the neck and chest.

Felix has been charged with Murder in the Second Degree under the Felony Murder provision of the statute, given that Stark's death occurred during the commission, or attempted commission of a kidnapping. The investigation into the other participants is on-going.

The case is being investigated by Prosecutors from the Homicide Bureau and Investigations Division of the Kings County District Attorney's Office, along with detectives from Brooklyn North Homicide Task Force and the 90<sup>th</sup> Precinct Detective's Squad.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.

## **Defendant Information**

Kendel Felix DOB: 06/08/87 **Charges:** Murder in the Second Degree

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