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**Brooklyn Man Indicted On Murder and Other Charges For East New York
Child Stabbings That Left Boy, 6, Dead and Girl, 7, Seriously Wounded**
Defendant Faces Up To Life In Prison If Convicted

Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson today announced that a Brooklyn man has been named in a five-count indictment charging him with second-degree murder and other charges in connection with a stabbing spree that left a 6-year-old boy dead and his 7-year-old friend seriously injured.

District Attorney Thompson said, “These two innocent children were subjected to unimaginable violence and terror in that elevator. We will now hold Daniel St. Hubert responsible for his cowardly, unmerciful and inhumane acts against Prince Joshua Avitto and Mikayla Capers.”

The District Attorney identified the defendant as Daniel St. Hubert, 27, of 658 Jamaica Avenue, in Brooklyn. St. Hubert has been indicted on one count of second-degree murder, one count of second-degree attempted murder, one count of first-degree assault, and one count each of third- and fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon. He faces up to 50 years to life in prison if convicted. No court date has yet been set for the defendant’s Brooklyn Supreme Court arraignment on the indictment.

The District Attorney said that, according to the investigation, on June 1, 2014, at approximately 5:40 p.m., at the Boulevard Houses located at 845 Schenck Avenue in the East New York section of Brooklyn, Prince Joshua Avitto, 6, and Mikayla Capers, 7, entered the building, as did the defendant, who then allegedly attacked the children in an elevator, stabbing each of them multiple times, before fleeing the scene.

The District Attorney said that, according to the investigation, Mikayla Capers, who had been stabbed multiple times and was bleeding managed to exit the building shortly after the defendant. Police responded to the scene and recovered a bloody knife, which later tested positive for the defendant’s DNA. Prince Joshua Avitto was found on the floor of the elevator with multiple stab wounds about his body. He was pronounced dead upon arrival at Brookdale Hospital. Mikayla Capers was treated for abdominal bleeding and a lacerated spleen.

The case was investigated by New York City Police Department detectives assigned to the 75th Precinct Detective Squad and the Brooklyn North Homicide Squad.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Patrick L. O'Connor, a veteran homicide prosecutor, under the supervision of Kenneth M. Taub, Chief of the District Attorney's Homicide Bureau.

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