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COMMUNITY PARTNER IN JUSTICE NOTIFICATION

Bushwick Man Sentenced to 45 Years to Life in Prison For Robbery and Attempted Rape

Brooklyn District Attorney Ken Thompson announced today that a Brooklyn man, John Duncan, has been sentenced to 45 years to life in prison for attacking a young Bedford-Stuyvesant woman and trying to rape her after she entered her apartment building. John Duncan was convicted on March 21, 2016, of burglary, robbery, attempted rape and sexual abuse.

On March 10, 2014, the victim, a 22-year-old woman, was walking home from the supermarket and entered her apartment building when the defendant assaulted her, robbed her, and attempted to rape her. The defendant was ultimately arrested after surveillance video recovered from the supermarket and the streets near the victim's home showed the defendant following her as she shopped and then following her home.

District Attorney Thompson said, "This defendant cowardly stalked and attacked a defenseless woman and tried to rape her before running off with her cell phone and cash. Today's sentence holds him accountable and will give him plenty of time to think about his actions."