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**D.A. BROWN: FLUSHING FATHER CHARGED WITH DEPRAVED ASSAULT  
ON TWO-MONTH OLD-DAUGHTER**

*Child Diagnosed With Shaken Baby Syndrome; Defendant Faces Up to 25 Years In Prison*

Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown announced today that a Flushing father has been charged with depraved assault for allegedly shaking his infant daughter and causing her to sustain life-threatening injuries, including brain damage.

District Attorney Brown said, "According to the charges, the defendant violently shook his two-month-old baby daughter causing the infant to sustain grave physical injuries, including brain damage. The child was helpless and defenseless and injured critically."

The District Attorney identified the defendant as Jianjin, Ren, 31, of 140-59 Ash Avenue in Flushing. Ren, who was arraigned last night in Queens Criminal Court, is charged with first-degree assault and endangering the welfare of a child. The defendant, who was ordered held without bail, faces up to 25 years in prison, if convicted.

District Attorney Brown said that, according to the charges, Jianjin Ren was in his apartment at approximately 10:00 p.m. on December 16, 2007, caring for his daughter Iris while his wife, Shuqun Lin, was taking a shower. During this time, the baby began to cry and, it is alleged, Ren violently and repeatedly shook the infant in order to make her stop. When Shuqun Lin exited the shower, it is alleged that she observed the baby to be pale, sweating profusely, lethargic and unwilling to take a bottle. The infant was admitted the next day to the emergency room at Flushing Hospital Medical Center seizing and unresponsive. She was transferred that same day to Long Island Jewish Hospital, where a medical examination revealed that the baby had serious and life-threatening injuries – including bleeding on the brain, retinal hemorrhaging and hypoxic ischemic injury (oxygen deprivation) to the brain – which are consistent with the non-accidental trauma of shaken baby syndrome.

The investigation was conducted by Detective Luz Figueroa of the New York City Police Department's Queens Special Victims Squad located at the Queens Child Advocacy Center under the supervision of Lieutenant Arthur Hill, Squad Commander, and Sergeant Guisella Rodriguez.

Assistant District Attorney Leigh Bishop, of the District Attorney's Special Victims Bureau, is prosecuting the case under the supervision of Marjory D. Fisher, Bureau Chief, and Kenneth M. Appelbaum and Lucinda C. Suarez, Deputy Bureau Chiefs, and the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Charles A. Testagrossa and Deputy Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Daniel A. Saunders.

It should be noted that criminal charges are merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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