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### **News Advisory**

Joseph Piazza, 17, of 32-42 71<sup>st</sup> Street in Jackson Heights, was charged yesterday with participating with three other teenagers in the attempted murder of 24-year-old Anthony Albaricci on January 5, 2007.

Piazza was arraigned yesterday before Queens Criminal Court Judge Robert Raciti on charges of second-degree attempted murder, first-degree assault, second-degree criminal possession of a weapon and fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon. If convicted, he faces up to 25 years in prison.

Judge Raciti set bail at \$100,000 and the case was adjourned to February 13, 2007.

The other three defendants charged in the case were: Ali Khan, 19, of 34-11 61<sup>st</sup> Street in Woodside, Aamer Khan, 18, of 45-53 40<sup>th</sup> Street in Woodside, and Christian Diaz, 17, of 41-16 12<sup>th</sup> Street in Long Island City. All three have been charged with second-degree attempted murder, first-degree assault and second-degree criminal possession of a weapon. They also face up to 25 years in prison if convicted.

Diaz and the Khan cousins were arraigned on Sunday, January 7, 2007, before Queens Criminal Court Judge Fernando Camacho, who ordered each defendant held on \$250,000 bail and set a return date of January 22, 2007.

According to statements made to prosecutors, the defendants allegedly attacked Mr. Albaricci because Aamer Khan reportedly owed him money and became upset when Mr. Albaricci allegedly sprayed graffiti on Aamer Khan's building.

### **DEFENDANT INFORMATION**

Joseph Piazza, who was arrested on January 8, 2007, was represented at arraignment by Mary Bejarano. Her telephone number is 917-270-1726.

Ali Khan, who was arrested on January 6, 2007, is represented by Susan Wetzel. Her telephone number is 718-261-3047 (extension 530).

Christian Diaz, who was arrested on January 5, 2007, is represented by Scott Davis. His telephone number is 718-268-2986.

Aamer Khan, who was arrested also on January 5, 2007, is seeking counsel.