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**CONNECTICUT MAN SENTENCED TO 75 YEARS TO LIFE IN PRISON**  
*Convicted Of Shooting Death Of Rosedale Resident During 2008 Home Invasion*

Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown announced today that a 28-year-old New Haven man has been sentenced to 75 years to life in prison for the murder of a Rosedale resident who was shot five times, as well as the attempted murder and kidnaping of two other men. The victim died at the scene of the invasion of his basement apartment in January 2008.

District Attorney Brown said, "Home invasions are among the most disturbing crimes as the victims are set upon in the one place they should feel the safest – the privacy of their own homes. The young victim in this case was just 23 years old and had his whole life ahead of him. Today's sentence serves as a measure of justice for him and his family. "

The District Attorney identified the defendant as Richard Bailey, 28, of 14 Fox Street, in New Haven, Connecticut. The defendant was sentenced today to 75 years to life in prison by Queens Supreme Court Justice Arthur D. Cooperman, who presided at the defendant's jury trial. He was convicted last month of second-degree murder, second-degree attempted murder, second-degree kidnaping, first-degree burglary, first-degree attempted robbery and second-degree criminal possession of a weapon.

District Attorney Brown said that, according to trial testimony, the victim, Kirkland Green, 23, lived in a basement apartment at 258-27 147<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Rosedale.

Testimony showed that on January 16, 2008, the defendant and two other unapprehended men entered an apartment located in the multiple-dwelling house and tied up two victims in that apartment. The three intruders, all of whom were armed with handguns, ransacked the apartment while demanding money and marijuana, and looking for a man named "Lion." The men then took one of the victims – with a pillowcase over his head – to a rear basement apartment where Kirkland Green lived. All three men opened fire on Green, hitting him five times in the neck, chest, back and back of his legs, killing him. Testimony showed that one of the gunmen put a gun to the head of the victim forced to wear the pillowcase and pulled the trigger three times, but was out of bullets.

The case was investigated by Detective Christopher Alden of the 105<sup>th</sup> Precinct Detective Squad.

Assistant District Attorney Peter V. Lomp, of the Homicide Trials Bureau, prosecuted the case under the direct supervision of Brad Leventhal, Bureau Chief, and Jack Warsawsky, Deputy Bureau Chief, and the overall supervision of Charles Testagrossa, Executive Assistant District Attorney, Major Crimes Division, and Daniel Saunders, Deputy Executive Assistant District Attorney.

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