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DA McMahon: Staten Island Man Indicted for Murder

**** Richard Gambale stabbed his victim 22 times during an argument at an industrial yard ****

STATEN ISLAND, NY – Richmond County District Attorney Michael E. McMahon today announced that RICHARD GAMBALE has been indicted on charges including Murder in the Second Degree for stabbing his victim to death during a fight at a South Shore industrial yard.

“The defendant in this case savagely stabbed his victim almost two dozen times,” said District Attorney Michael E. McMahon. “There is no justification for that level of violence and my prosecutors intend to argue that this was an intentional murder, and not self-defense.”

According to the five-count indictment and documents filed in court, on Jan. 14, 2016, at about 2:30 p.m., GAMBALE stabbed the victim, Anthony Perretti, 43, of Bay Terrace, 22 times throughout his upper body following a dispute over finances in an industrial yard near Arthur Kill Road in Rossville. Moments before being fatally stabbed, the victim had struck GAMBALE with a metal fence post one time in the shoulder area. GAMBALE fled the location and left behind his mortally wounded victim, who was later pronounced dead at Staten Island University Hospital-South. GAMBALE was apprehended four days later by the New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force in Manhattan. GAMBALE was additionally charged with two counts of Tampering With Physical Evidence for discarding into a garbage receptacle the bloody jacket worn when he stabbed the victim and the knife he used to carry out said stabbing.

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GAMBALE will be arraigned on March 2, 2016 in State Supreme Court, St. George.

The case is being prosecuted by ADA Jennifer Cilia.

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The charges contained in the attached indictment are merely allegations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Defendant Information:

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