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D.A. McMahon: Staten Island Man Indicted for Spree of Sexual Assaults

Defendant Taylor Hawkins allegedly targeted six women near bus stops

Staten Island, N.Y. – Richmond County District Attorney Michael E. McMahon today announced that TAYLOR HAWKINS has been indicted on charges including Attempted Rape in the First Degree, Criminal Sexual Act in the First Degree, Sexual Abuse in the First Degree, Assault in the Second Degree, Attempted Robbery in the Second Degree, and Strangulation in the Second Degree, in addition to other charges, for allegedly attacking six women.

“This office takes the allegations of these heinous crimes very serious. We will vigorously prosecute this case and work to ensure that the people of Staten Island stay safe from dangerous predators,” said **District Attorney Michael E. McMahon**. “The hardworking officers of the NYPD deserve tremendous praise for their excellent and massive response in quickly and safely apprehending the alleged perpetrator.”

According to a 36-count indictment and documents filed in court, on August 21, 2017, the defendant allegedly groped a woman while she was walking to work. On September 19, 2017, HAWKINS went on a spree between 2:30 a.m. and 6:45 a.m. in which he is accused of targeting five women in separate incidents. All of the attacks occurred at bus stops or in very close proximity to bus stops.

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HAWKINS was arraigned today in State Supreme Court, St. George, before Judge Stephen J. Rooney. Bail was set at \$750,000 bond and \$500,000 cash.

The case is being prosecuted by ADA Rhiannon La Tour.

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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:

Taylor Hawkins
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