



Trial Date Set for Driving While Black Charge

A trial date has been set by the Bronx ADA in the Richard King case. Although the charges have been deemed baseless by a judge, the ADA continues to pursue a man guilty of nothing more than driving while black in the Bronx.

([PRWEB](#)) May 5, 2004 -- Cory Rosenbaum, attorney for Richard King, a victim of racial profiling and malicious prosecution, is looking forward to the upcoming trial on 19 May 2004, where he will have the opportunity to reveal the racially-motivated persecution of his client.

Richard King's ordeal began several weeks ago when he was stopped by a Bronx police officer while driving his Jeep Cherokee. At the time, Mr. King mentioned to the officer that he had formerly been an NYPD traffic officer. Upon hearing that, the police officer ordered Mr. King from his vehicle, hand-cuffed him, hustled him into the back of the patrol car, and took him to the station to be booked for "impersonating an officer."

Despite the fact that the arraignment judge advised the Bronx ADA that the charges were baseless, and despite the fact that the original complaint stated no charges, the ADA continues to pursue this matter. With several offers made by the ADA to clear up the case and still allow a "win" for the Bronx DA's office, Mr. King continues to profess his innocence and has refused all plea offers.

With a trial date now set, Mr. Rosenbaum continues to seek other victims of racial profiling in the Bronx. According to Mr. Rosenbaum, "This cannot be an isolated incident. We know there are others who may be too afraid to come forward. This is their chance to show the world what is going on in the Bronx."

Mr. Rosenbaum also added, "It is difficult to believe that no New York newspaper or radio station will touch this case. Certainly, being beaten or verbally attacked does not constitute the only form of racism. Just because the police officer didn't beat Mr. King doesn't mean Mr. King hasn't suffered. He's had his life put on hold because of these baseless charges. We intend to pursue this matter regardless of the trial outcome."

Case Information: The People of the State of New York v. Richard King, Criminal Court of the City of New York, Bronx County, 2004BX008570.

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