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RCDA ADA Honored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) New York at Annual Law Enforcement Recognition Event

Assistant District Attorney Frank Prospero receives the “District Attorney Recognition of Excellence Award” for his work prosecuting vehicular crimes

Staten Island, N.Y. – Richmond County District Attorney Michael E. McMahon today announced that RCDA Assistant District Attorney Frank Prospero was awarded the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) “District Attorney Recognition of Excellence Award” during the 12th annual MADD Law Enforcement Recognition Luncheon held Wednesday in Woodbury, NY.

“This award reflects great credit on ADA Prospero, the Trials Bureau, and the entire office for their tireless work in prosecuting vehicular crimes,” **said District Attorney Michael E. McMahon.** “We take all vehicular crimes seriously and ADA Prospero has played an integral role in holding our most serious offenders accountable for the dangerous and deadly decisions they have made behind the wheel. I commend ADA Prospero on receiving this prestigious award and thank him for his commitment to making the roads of Staten Island safer. I would also like to acknowledge MADD for all their work in combatting drunk driving and bringing awareness to this serious issue.”

ADA Prospero is a lifelong Staten Islander. He graduated from Msgr. Farrell High School in 2007 and went on to receive his bachelor’s degree Summa Cum Laude from St. John’s University, Staten Island in 2011. He was also an Academic Bronze Medal recipient for the College of Professional Studies. From there, he received his juris doctorate Magna Cum Laude from Touro Law Center, Central Islip, NY. ADA Prospero started working at the Richmond County District Attorney’s Office in March 2015 in the Criminal Court Bureau. In 2017, he was promoted to the Trial Bureau where he handles a variety of cases, but specializes in Vehicular Crimes including Felony DWI, Felony Hit and Runs, Manslaughter, Vehicular Homicides and Assaults. ADA Prospero and the Trials Bureau have successfully prosecuted some of Staten Island’s most serious vehicular crimes, including the case against defendant Pedro Abad; the case against defendant Joseph McClean; the case against defendant Keith Hayes; the case against defendant John Rudder, and the case against defendant Marques Rios. In addition to prosecuting cases, ADA Prospero is also consulted on Criminal Court DWI and 511 cases; he participates in the local Victim Impact Panel, and represents RCDA at DWI related meetings with the NYPD and NYPTI.

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