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Statement from Counsel for Brandon Elliot

(NEW YORK, NY) – The Legal Aid Society issued the following statement as counsel representing Brandon Elliot:

"At this time, we strongly urge the public to reserve judgment until all the facts are presented in court. Mr. Elliot has a constitutional right to counsel and due process. As with every client we represent, he will have unfettered access to our legal resources and expertise. We are fully reviewing this case and will have additional comments in the coming days and weeks."

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