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William Kleisle Sentenced to 5-15 Years for Aggravated Vehicular Homicide

Rochester, NY- On Wednesday, January 9, 33-year-old William Kleisle was sentenced to 5-15 years in the New York State Department of Corrections for the Aggravated Vehicular Homicide in relations to the death of Mary Beh and was sentenced to one year in Monroe County Jail for Assault in the 3rd Degree to run concurrently. The sentence comes after he pled to Aggravated Vehicular Homicide and Assault in the 3rd Degree on November 14, 2018.

On April 24, 2018, William Kleisle recklessly operated a motor vehicle on Brockport Spencerport Road. Kleisle ran a red light, striking a second motor vehicle, pushing the second vehicle into a third motor vehicle. The passenger in the second motor vehicle, Mary Beh, suffered fatal injuries while the drivers of the second and third motor vehicle suffered physical injuries. Kleisle was found to have a .15 BAC along with narcotics in his system.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Raymond Benitez, Chief of the DWI Bureau.

“I want to thank the Monroe County Sheriff’s Office and the New York State Police Reconstruction Unit who investigated this tragedy,” said Assistant District Attorney Raymond Benitez. “By accepting a plea agreement, William Kleisle is acknowledging responsibility for the death of Mary Beh and will spend the next five to fifteen years in the New York State Department of Corrections for this decision.”

“Tragedies that result from drinking and driving are not accidents, they are crimes,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “Every year, the Monroe County District Attorney’s Office sees fatalities because of poor choices made behind the wheel of a vehicle. Mary Beh did not have to suffer fatal injuries last Spring, and William Kleisle will now spend the rest of his life knowing that he took the life of a loved woman in this community.”

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