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PROSECUTOR KOLKOVICH ANNOUNCES CONVICTION FOR VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER OF KAMERON RUBIN

AKRON, OH – Today, Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced that Africa Watson, 28, of Akron was found guilty for the vehicular manslaughter of 30-year-old Kameron Rubin.

A Summit County Jury found Watson guilty of the following charges:

- One count of Aggravated Vehicular Homicide – a 2nd Degree Felony; and
- One count of Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence of Alcohol, a Drug of Abuse or a Combination of Them – a 1st Degree Misdemeanor.

“The loss of Kameron Rubin is a tragedy. Although today’s conviction cannot bring Kameron back, I hope it provides his family some semblance of closure. I’d also like to thank the Macedonia and Twinsburg responding units who provided aid to Kameron and tried to save his life,” said Prosecutor Kolkovich.

In January 2023, Macedonia Police Officers responded to a call reporting a body found in the roadway on I-480 eastbound. When officers arrived, they found Twinsburg officers attending to a male, later identified as Kameron Rubin, who was suffering from severe head and facial trauma, suspected to have resulted from a hit-and-skip traffic accident. Rubin was transported to Ahuja Hospital, where he later passed away.

Officers examined Rubin’s nearby vehicle and observed a dent in the driver’s side door, along with blood near the area of impact. Several vehicles were parked a distance ahead with their hazard lights activated. When officers approached, they observed one vehicle with severe damage to the passenger-side front end. The driver, Africa Watson, appeared intoxicated. Watson explained that she had a flat tire, which was why the vehicle was parked, but officers did not observe any flat tires.

Officers also observed evidence from the victim’s body on Watson’s vehicle. After observing additional signs of intoxication, officers asked Watson to perform a sobriety test, after which she was placed under arrest for OVI. Watson’s passenger stated that she had been asleep and was awoken by the sound of an impact.

Watson is scheduled to be sentenced on October 16, 2026 at 10 a.m.

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