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Charges Approved In Fatal Hit-Skip Crash

State v. Jeremy Hawks, 2015-CR-951

DAYTON, OH (03/30/2015) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that 44 year old **Jeremy W. Hawks**, of Riverside, has been charged for leaving the scene of a fatal traffic crash that he caused which killed a Farmersville woman and seriously injured a Dayton Police Sergeant.

During the evening hours of Saturday, August 16, 2014, the victims were riding a motorcycle heading East on Germantown Street in Dayton. The defendant was driving West on Germantown Street in his pickup truck. The defendant attempted to turn left onto Conners Street and turned into the path of the motorcycle. The front of the truck struck the motorcycle, causing both riders to be thrown from the bike. The defendant continued driving and left the scene of the crash.

The victims, off-duty Dayton Police Sergeant Gary Lowe and his fiancé, 51 year old Rhonda Boyer, of Farmersville, were both seriously injured. Both were transported to the hospital, but Ms. Boyer injuries proved to be fatal.

From the description provided by the victim and witnesses, the truck was able to be located by police a short time later in the vicinity of South Broadway Street at Weaver Street, where it had been abandoned after crashing into a stop sign. The driver was identified and arrested. He was later released pending further investigation.

Today, the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office has approved charges of Vehicular Homicide, Vehicular Manslaughter and three counts of Failure to Stop After an Accident against the defendant.

A warrant for the arrest of the defendant has been issued. The case will be presented before the Montgomery County Grand Jury.

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