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Dayton Woman Guilty for Fatal Crash
Defendant was Fleeing From Police at Time of Crash
State v. Kyndra Je'Chelle Shackelford, 2016-CR-0883

DAYTON, OH (10/27/2016) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that 18-year-old **Kyndra Je'Chelle Shackelford**, of Dayton, has been found guilty on counts relating to a traffic crash that killed Marcus Harper of Xenia on March 17, 2016.

On March 17, 2016, the defendant stole a car in the vicinity of the Speedway Station on Miller Lane in Butler Township. Later, a Huber Heights police officer spotted the stolen car and noted the driver was driving erratically. When the officer activated his overhead lights, the driver took off at a high rate of speed.

The police pursuit entered Harrison Township, traveling south on Wagner Ford Road. At the intersection with Needmore Road, the defendant ran a red light, striking the victim's vehicle that was traveling East on Needmore Road.

The victim, 50-year-old Marcus Harper, of Xenia, was pronounced dead at the scene. His passenger, a 53-year-old female, was severely injured and was transported to the hospital. The defendant suffered minor injuries and was found to have a high concentration of alcohol in her system. Additionally, at the time of the incident, the defendant's driver's license was suspended.

Today, the defendant was found guilty as charged on all counts, including:

- One count of Aggravated Vehicular Homicide
- One count of Aggravated Vehicular Assault
- One count of Failure to Comply With the Order or Signal of a Police Officer
- One count of Grand Theft (Motor Vehicle)

The defendant is currently in custody, being held on a \$500,000 bond and is scheduled to be sentenced on November 21, 2016, at 1:30 pm.

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