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Greenville Man Sentenced on Felony DUI Resulting in Death

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that SCOTT ALAN HENNING, age 25, was convicted on November 14, 2018, of Felony DUI Resulting in Death and sentenced to ten (10) years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections (SCDC) by the Honorable Letitia H. Verdin. The defendant was also ordered to pay a fine of \$10,100.

Evidence presented at the plea hearing by Assistant Solicitor Bryna Seay established that on May 13, 2017, at approximately 7:30 pm, several independent witnesses who were driving in Greenville County observed the defendant driving recklessly, at a high rate of speed, and disregarding proper lanes of traffic. One witness called 911 to express her concerns that the defendant was going to harm someone and as she was speaking with the dispatcher, she came upon the wreck caused by the defendant.

An investigation led by Trooper Jonathan Bridges of the South Carolina Highway Patrol (SCHP) determined that the defendant crossed over the center line and was driving into oncoming traffic when he struck the vehicle being driven by the victim, Marilyn Bunkley, who was 62 years old. The impact of the collision caused her car to leave the roadway and crash, instantly killing Ms. Bunkley. The defendant's vehicle then struck another car whose driver had swerved to avoid the collision. The driver of that vehicle suffered minor injuries.

An analysis of the defendant's blood alcohol level was performed by the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) and the result was 0.33 %.