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## Guilty Verdict After Hit and Run Trial



**ALBANY, NY** – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that STEPHANIE JONES, 29, of Albany, was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Assault in the Second Degree, a Class D Violent Felony, and (1) Count of Leaving the Scene of a Serious Physical Injury Crash Without Reporting, a Class E Felony, before the Honorable Judge Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Court on Friday.

On February 27, 2015 at approximately 3:45am in the City of Albany, JONES rear ended a car on Delaware Ave and attempted to flee the scene. JONES lost control of her vehicle, went off the road, knocked down a streetlight, hit a pedestrian, and crashed into a parked car in the parking lot of business on the corner of Delaware and Whitehall. The pedestrian struck by JONES sustained a broken leg. A

fight ensued with the people from the car that they had previously struck. JONES then left the scene of the pedestrian collision on foot without reporting it. JONES was arrested on October 13, 2015 by Albany City Police officers after DNA swabs from the driver's side airbag of the vehicle, witness testimony, and video evidence showed JONES to have been the driver of the vehicle.

JONES faces 7 years in State Prison to be followed by 3 years Post Release Supervision when she is sentenced on June 17, 2016.

Assistant District Attorney Michael Shanley of the Vehicular Crimes Unit prosecuted this case.

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