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## **Guilty Plea in Rensselaerville Drunk Driving Manslaughter Case**



**ALBANY, NY** - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that HARLEY KELLY, 19, of Middleburgh, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Manslaughter in the Second Degree, a Class C Felony, and (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, a Misdemeanor, before the Honorable William A. Carter in Albany County Court this morning.

On June 9, 2019, at approximately 2:40 A.M., KELLY was driving while intoxicated in the area of Pond Hill Road and County Route 10 in the Town of Rensselaerville. KELLY failed to stop at a stop sign and drove off of the road at a high rate of speed. The vehicle became airborne before crashing in to large pile of rocks on the side of the roadway. As a result of the

crash, 19 year old passenger Emily Fydenkevez was killed upon impact.

Blood test results revealed that KELLY was operating the vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .16 percent and had active cannabis in her system. KELLY also admitted to drinking at a party prior to driving.

KELLY faces 3 to 9 years in State Prison when sentenced on November 20, 2019.

Vehicular Crimes Unit Bureau Chief Mary Tanner-Richter is prosecuting this case.

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