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## Defendant Found Guilty of Driving While Intoxicated after New Year's Eve Party



**Pictures taken from the Scene of the Collision**

**ALBANY, NY-** District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that LASHANTAH PRYOR, 23, of Hyattsville, Maryland, was found guilty following a jury trial of (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor, (1) Count of Moving from Lane Unsafely, a Violation, (1) Count of Driving Without a License, a Violation and (1) Count of Speed not Reasonable and Prudent, a Violation, before the Honorable Gary Stiglmeier in Albany City Criminal Court this morning.

On December 31, 2013 on Interstate 787 in the City of Albany, the defendant, after attending a New Year's Eve party, collided with another motorist that sent the victim's vehicle directly into a guard rail, causing minor physical injuries to the driver.

When New York State Police Troopers arrived at the scene, they detected the odor of alcoholic beverages coming from the defendant's breath. Additionally, the Troopers observed the defendant slurring her speech and stumbling when she walked. The defendant admitted to the Troopers that she had consumed alcohol that evening and failed multiple field sobriety tests. While in custody, the defendant refused to submit to a chemical test to determine her BAC.

PRYOR faces up to 1 year in the Albany County Correctional Facility when sentenced on June 27, 2014 and was released on her own recognizance to await sentencing.

Assistant District Attorney Matthew Toporowski is handling the prosecution of this case.

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