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## **Guilty Verdict for Highway Drunk Driver**



**ALBANY, NY** - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that JENNIFER CLEMENT, 41, of Nassau, NY, was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Driving While Intoxicated, a Misdemeanor, (1) Count of Refusal to Take a Breath Test, and (1) Count of Speed Not

Reasonable and Prudent, both Traffic Violations, before the Honorable Judge Helena Heath yesterday in Albany City Court.

On September 25, 2015, at approximately 3:30 P.M., CLEMENT was driving Eastbound on I-90 in the City of Albany when she crashed into a center barricade and lost control of the vehicle. No other vehicles were damaged in the crash. After a Good Samaritan stopped to help, a New York State trooper pulled up to the car, where it was detected that CLEMENT had an odor of alcohol, glassy eyes, and slurred speech. The trooper arrested CLEMENT after she lied about not having her license, handed the officer a receipt instead of her insurance paperwork, refused all field sobriety tests, and refused the pre-screen breath test. CLEMENT later admitted to drinking two beers at 9 A.M. that morning.

CLEMENT faces up to 1 year in jail, in addition to having a Mandatory Ignition Device installed for 12 months, license revocation for 6 months, and required completion of the Victim Impact Panel and Impaired Driver Program when sentenced at a later date.

Assistant District Attorney Andrew Neidhardt prosecuted this case in Albany City Court.

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