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Springfield Man Will Serve Five Year Prison Sentence in Drunk Driving Crash

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that Joshua Xavier Oswald, 23, of Springfield, MO was sentenced last Friday by The Honorable Thomas Mountjoy to a five year prison sentence on each of four counts of Assault in the Second Degree relating to a drunk driving crash that occurred on December 5, 2015. Probation was denied by the Court.

Oswald's charges stemmed from a motor vehicle crash that took place at the intersection of South Campbell and West Sunset in Springfield, Missouri. Oswald was driving a vehicle through the intersection and failed to stop at a flashing red traffic signal, striking another vehicle. The passenger in Oswald's vehicle, as well as all three occupants of the vehicle he struck were injured. One of the passengers in the other vehicle suffered a life-threatening head injury, resulting in complete and permanent disability. Investigating officers reported that Oswald demonstrated indicators of alcohol impairment, and his blood alcohol content was determined to be .152% when analyzed after the crash.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Emily Shook. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Department and Detective Brad Eddy was the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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