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Attorney General Steve Marshall Announces Court of Criminal Appeals Upholds Murder Conviction in Tuscaloosa County

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Steve Marshall announced that on Friday the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the conviction of Kevin M. Henderson, 57, for reckless murder. Henderson was convicted in Tuscaloosa County Circuit Court on December 19, 2019, for the reckless murder of seventeen-year-old high school student Chase Price.

The evidence at trial showed that on the afternoon of November 23, 2016, Henderson was driving his BMW on Daffron Road in Tuscaloosa and lost control of his vehicle and crossed the center line. Henderson's car, which was going 94 mph two seconds before the crash, struck Price's vehicle as he was attempting to evade impact. Chase Price was pronounced dead at the scene, and it was later determined that Henderson's blood-alcohol content was .11 to .12 at the time of the collision.

Tuscaloosa County District Attorney Hays Webb's office successfully prosecuted this case and obtained a guilty verdict. Henderson was sentenced to twenty years in prison for his crime. Henderson sought to have his conviction reversed on appeal.

The Attorney General's Criminal Appeals Division handled the case during the appeals process, arguing for the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals to affirm Henderson's conviction. Attorney General Marshall commended Appeals Division Chief Beth Poe and Assistant Attorney General Sara Rogan for their successful work on this case and District Attorney Hays Webb and his staff for their valuable assistance in defending the reckless murder conviction.

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