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Atco Man Pleads Guilty to Driving While Impaired, Killing Passenger

MOUNT HOLLY, N.J. – Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina announced that an Atco resident pled guilty today in Superior Court to causing the death of a passenger two years ago in Pemberton Township after the car he was driving left the road and slammed into a tree.

John P. Randolph, 40, of the 500 block of 5th Street in Atco, admitted in court that he was driving while impaired when the fatal collision occurred on September 27, 2016. He pled guilty to one count of Vehicular Homicide (Second Degree), as well as one count of Receiving Stolen Property (Third Degree) stemming from an unrelated incident in May 2017.

The Hon. Terrence R. Cook scheduled sentencing for September 14. Randolph admitted guilt through what is known as an open plea, meaning there is no agreement with the Prosecutor's Office as to a recommended prison term and the length of his sentence will be determined by the judge.

The collision occurred just before 6 a.m. in the area of Hanover Boulevard and Magnolia Street in the Browns Mills section of the township. Pemberton Township police officers who responded found Randolph behind the wheel of his 1993 BMW 325i.

Dennis M. McCaffrey Jr., 39, a passenger in the car, was pronounced dead at the scene. Toxicology reports conducted on blood drawn from Randolph determined he was under the influence of marijuana, amphetamine and methamphetamine at the time of the collision.

Assistant Prosecutor Douglas J. Bligh is prosecuting Randolph. The case was investigated by the Pemberton Township Police Department and the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office. The lead investigators were Pemberton Township Police Detective Stephen Price and BCPO Major Crimes Unit Detective Michael Reagan.

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