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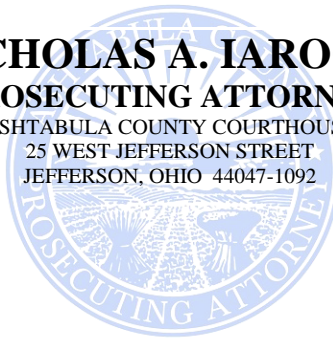
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On December 18, 2018, the Ashtabula County Grand Jury returned an eleven-count indictment against **Donte Maurice Conard** related to the October 19, 2018 fatal traffic accident and deaths of Giovanni Lee Miller, Sr., Anastiasa Nicole Smith, Michelle A. Hommes, and Giovanni Lee Miller, Jr. at the intersection of Adams Avenue and West 58th Street in the City of Ashtabula.

Conard has been indicted on the following charges:

1. Four (4) counts of **Aggravated Vehicular Homicide**, each of which is a felony of the second degree;
2. Four (4) counts of **Aggravated Vehicular Homicide**, each of which is a felony of the third degree;
3. One (1) count of **Possession of Cocaine**, a felony of the fifth degree; and
4. Two (2) counts of **Operating a Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol, a Drug of Abuse, or a Combination of Them**, each of which is an unclassified misdemeanor (blood-alcohol level of 0.201 grams, well over the legal limit of 0.08 grams).

If convicted of all counts, the maximum sentence Conard could receive is thirty-three (33) years in prison based on Ohio law. Unfortunately, the law does not allow my office to pursue a life-sentence in prison against Conard for his actions in this case.

My office is appreciative of the skilled and professional work of the Ohio Highway Patrol, Ashtabula Police Department, Ashtabula County Coroner's Office, and Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office in investigating this very difficult case. We offer our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of those who died as a result of this tragic accident.

Conard remains incarcerated in the Ashtabula County Jail, and will be arraigned on these charges before Judge Thomas E. Harris in the near future.

Very truly yours,

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