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Murphy Sentenced for Involuntary Manslaughter 1st Degree

St. Charles County, Missouri- The Office of Prosecuting Attorney Tim Lohmar announces that Paul J. Murphy, 55, of St. Charles, who was found guilty by a jury in July for one count Involuntary Manslaughter 1st degree and three counts of Assault 2nd degree-operating a vehicle under the influence, was sentenced today to twelve years for the involuntary manslaughter and seven years for each count of assault 2nd. The sentences are to run concurrent. Murphy must serve 85% of the 12 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections.

Charges arose in March of 2013 when Murphy, while under the influence, caused a multi-car crash. Murphy failed to maintain control of his vehicle and travelled into the path of a car, which held three occupants, on the other side of the roadway. All three victims were severely injured. At the time of the crash, one victim was 19 weeks pregnant and the crash resulted in a stillborn birth at the hospital.

Murphy was sentenced in front of the Honorable Jon Cunningham.

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