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Schultz Guilty of DUI Causing Permanent Injury
People v. Marian Schultz; Kern County Superior Court Case BF176407A

(Bakersfield) – The Kern County District Attorney’s Office announced an Office of Traffic Safety unit conviction. On December 15, 2023, in a case presented by Deputy District Attorney Brandon Stallings, a Kern County jury found Marian Schultz guilty of driving under the influence causing permanent injury to the victim and found true that multiple victims were harmed.

On April 13, 2019, Schultz was doing “doughnuts” across all four lanes of Hoskins Avenue in his pickup truck. Schultz pulled over to the right curb and then, as a car and motorcycle approached, he accelerated across the roadway to perform another “doughnut,” striking the motorcycle and motor vehicle. The driver of the motorcycle suffered devastating injuries to his person that have left him unable to walk on this own, requiring 59 surgeries and constant care from his family. The passenger of the motorcycle was injured significantly as well. The driver of the motor vehicle and the two minor occupants were uninjured.

Through the Bakersfield Police Department’s investigation, Schultz was found to be under the influence of alcohol, with a breath alcohol content of 0.147%. Schultz was also found to have committed an unsafe turning movement, causing the collision and injuries to the victims.

After the verdict was rendered, Schultz was declared incompetent to stand trial by his defense attorney for sentencing purposes. A status conference is set for January 17, 2024, before Superior Court Judge John Lua. Schultz faces 9 years in state prison.

Marian Schultz:

