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Eastpointe Man Guilty in Drunk Driving Death

Mount Clemens, MI - Today, a Macomb County jury convicted 42-year-old Eric Compton of Eastpointe with Operating a Motor Vehicle with a High BAC Causing Death with a Prior Conviction (20 year felony) and Operating a Motor Vehicle with a High BAC Causing Serious Injury with a Prior Conviction (10 year felony) after a three-day jury trial by Assistant Prosecutor Steve Fox.

On Wednesday, August 15, 2021, Eric Compton was driving under the influence of alcohol at a high rate of speed and struck a motorcycle, carrying two passengers. One passenger died at the scene and the other passenger was critically injured.

Compton is a habitual third offender, which increases the maximum sentence to 40 years due to his prior convictions. A Sentencing Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 8:30 am in front of Circuit Court Judge Diane Druzinski.

“Thank you to the Macomb County Jury for their careful deliberation in this case. This is a stark reminder this holiday season to drive responsibly. Drive safe and don’t drink and drive,” said Macomb County Prosecutor Peter J. Lucido.

The Macomb County Prosecutor’s office represents the people. We are committed to achieving justice and following the laws of the State of Michigan.

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