

ZACHERIAH CAIN PLEADS GUILTY TO TWO COUNTS OF FELONY INVOLUNTARY  
MANSLAUGHTER IN THE FIRST DEGREE

TROY, Mo. – Lincoln County Prosecuting Attorney, Leah W. Askey announced today that Zacheriah Cain, 18, of Warrenton, Missouri, has plead guilty and was sentenced for an incident that killed a Lincoln County couple last year. Victor K. Harrell 81 and Virginia M. Harrell 82 were pronounced dead shortly after the accident.

Cain was charged with two counts of Felony Involuntary Manslaughter in the First Degree and received the maximum sentence on each count to be run consecutively for a total of 14 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections.

The charges arose May 22, 2011, when Cain's vehicle collided with the Harrell's ATV. Cain was traveling at a high rate of speed and was under the influence of alcohol.

"Cases like this are never easy. Two innocent people lost their lives as a result of a sixteen year old's poor choice. Zach Cain will spend much of his young adult life in prison for the decision he made on that fateful day last May. I know the last year and a half has been very difficult for the Harrell family. I hope the disposition of this case can bring some closure for the family," said Askey.

**This case was prosecuted by Prosecuting Attorney Leah W. Askey. It was investigated by the Missouri State Highway Patrol.**

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