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### **Fairfax County Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano Announces Manslaughter Indictment in fatal DUI crash**

FAIRFAX COUNTY — Today, Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano announced the indictment of Devon Lesesne for manslaughter in a DUI-related fatal car crash on I-495 near Telegraph Road earlier this year.

Lesesne, 32, of Washington, D.C. was indicted by a Fairfax County grand jury on one count of involuntary manslaughter for killing 20-year-old Katherine Aileen Reyes on March 5, 2022. The felony carries up to ten years of prison time.

"This is a tragic incident that could have been avoided, and our hearts break for the family of this young woman," Descano said. "There are no winners in this situation. I am committed to working toward accountability in a manner that promotes healing for the family our wider community."

The crash happened around 9:30 p.m. on the shoulder of eastbound I-495 where Reyes' vehicle was disabled with a flat tire. Her vehicle's hazard lights were flashing when Lesesne drove down the shoulder and slammed into the back of Reyes' vehicle. The compact SUV caught fire, and Reyes died at the scene.

Lesesne is scheduled to appear in Circuit Court Thursday, where he will be arraigned. He remains in custody without bond.

*Note: A criminal indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.*

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