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## **RYNE SASSO , CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR FAILURE TO REPORT ACCIDENT**

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that a Carbondale man, Ryne J. Sasso, age 28, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections on two counts of Failure to Report an Accident which resulted in the death of one victim and injury to another.

On November 25, 2016, at approximately 7:15 p.m., deputies with the Jackson County Sheriff's Department were dispatched to Airport Road near Bodkin Road in rural Carbondale for a report of a vehicle striking two pedestrians. One of the pedestrians, Daniel Priddy, of Hurst, Illinois, was able to speak with officers. Mr. Priddy advised that he and Bruce Glenn, from Murphysboro, Illinois, were walking westbound on Airport Road, single file on the north side of the road when he was struck from behind by a vehicle he described as a truck or SUV. The vehicle then continued forward about 10 feet and then struck Mr. Glenn, throwing him into a nearby field. The driver of the vehicle left the scene.

Mr. Glenn, who did not regain consciousness after being struck, died from the injuries he sustained. Mr. Priddy sustained personal injuries.

Jackson County Sheriff's deputies contacted local auto body shops and suppliers and provided a description of damaged vehicle parts which had been recovered at the scene. A representative from a business located in Mulkeytown, IL informed deputies that a person had contacted him and had inquired about purchasing similar parts. Based on this lead, deputies found the vehicle and arrested Ryne J. Sasso on December 7, 2016. Sasso admitted that he was the driver the vehicle and admitted that he knew that he had hit something but claimed that he did not know that he had hit a person.

On March 13, 2017, a Jackson County judge sentenced the defendant to serve six (6) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections on one count of Failure to Report Accident Involving Death, a Class 1 Felony; and six (6) years for Failure to Report Accident Involving Injury, a Class 2 Felony. The sentences are to run concurrently, followed by a two (2) year period of Mandatory Supervised Release on each count, also to run concurrently.

The investigation was conducted by the Jackson County Sheriff's Department. Assistant State's Attorney Abigail Dinn was responsible for the prosecution of this case.