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# **NEWS**

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### **Sentencing Announced in Vehicular Homicide Case in Ocean City, NJ**

Cape May County Prosecutor Jeffrey Sutherland announced today the sentencing of Ruddy Narvaez, 36, of Galloway, New Jersey, for his role in a fatal vehicular homicide that occurred in Ocean City in June 2021.

On November 15, 2024, the Honorable Judge Gibson sentenced Narvaez to three years in state prison. The conviction stems from an incident involving excessive speed and running a red light, striking a vehicle which tragically resulted in the loss of the life of a resident Ocean City who was a passenger in the vehicle that was struck.

The Ocean City Police Department led the initial investigation, with crash analysis completed by the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office's Fatal Crash Unit. Chief Assistant Prosecutor Dara Paley represented the State of New Jersey in the case.

Prosecutor Sutherland stated:

"This case underscores the serious consequences of reckless driving and our commitment to holding offenders accountable. We hope this sentence serves as a reminder of the importance of responsible behavior on our roadways."