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PRESS RELEASE

State Attorney Bill Eddins announced today that Ryan Foy Carter was sentenced on April 16, 2014, by Circuit Judge John Simon to 10 years state prison to be followed by 10 years of probation. Carter entered a plea no contest to the court on February 10, 2014 for one count of Leaving the Scene of a Crash involving a death.

On July 16, 2013, Carter struck the victim Roger Gallan while Gallan was walking on the shoulder of Highway 98. As Gallan was injured on the roadside and receiving medical attention, the defendant fled the scene. Multiple witnesses saw the crash and were able to identify the defendant's vehicle as the one that struck Gallan.

Both the investigation and arrest were conducted by the Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office. Assistant State Attorney Stephen Luongo prosecuted the case. For further information, please contact Mr. Luongo at 595-4200.