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Fairfax County Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano Announces Indictment in Deadly Crash That Killed Two Teenage Pedestrians

FAIRFAX COUNTY — Today Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano announced the indictment on manslaughter charges of Usman Shahid for striking and killing two teenage pedestrians with his car on June 7 in Oakton.

Shahid was indicted by a Fairfax County grand jury on two counts of involuntary manslaughter for killing two Oakton High School students who had just crossed an intersection by striking them with his car. Each count is a felony carrying up to ten years of prison time.

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

The crash happened at the intersection of Blake Lane and Five Oaks Road, just south of Oakton High School. The crash occurred at approximately 11:45 a.m., shortly after Oakton High School dismissed students for the day. Police determined that Shadid was traveling at a high rate of speed in a BMW and hit another car in an intersection before striking three teenage pedestrians who were on the sidewalk near the intersection. Two of the three pedestrians died from their injuries.

Shahid was scheduled to appear in Circuit Court this morning, where he will be arraigned.

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

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