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**Man Sentenced to 12 Years for Vehicular Homicide in Motorcyclist's Death**

Brian Charles White was sentenced to 12 years in prison Friday for vehicular homicide while high on methamphetamine in the death of a motorcyclist in Brighton.

White (DOB 12/21/84) was southbound on Highway 85 on August 12, 2017 at more than 65 mph when his Chevrolet Suburban plowed into motorcyclist David Brown, 56, who was slowing for stopped traffic at East 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Brown suffered extensive injuries and was pronounced dead at the scene.

An Adams County jury convicted White as charged in October on counts of vehicular homicide-DUI, reckless vehicular homicide and careless driving resulting in death. White has previous DUI and drug convictions in Pennsylvania.

"On August 12, 2017, Brian White put himself and his drug habit ahead of everything else," said Deputy District Attorney Troy Moyer. He said White was speeding and driving off the road for at least 20 miles before the fatal crash and tested positive for 383 nanograms of methamphetamine in his blood.

Moyer said White used methamphetamine twice the day of the crash. "Two hours later David Brown was dead in the street," he said. "David Brown was a model citizen. He was on his way to help a friend when he was struck and killed. He was a good hardworking man who loved to ride his motorcycle on a Saturday afternoon."

Brown's family said White needed to be held accountable for his actions. Brown's brother, Ed Brown, said that if White were truly sorry he would have stopped using drugs and driving after his previous convictions. "He was let off time and time again and now has taken the life of our loved one. At some point Mr. White has to be held accountable for his actions. "

Prosecutors asked for the maximum 12-year sentence which Adams County District Judge Tomee Crespino imposed. "This wasn't an accident," Judge Crespino said. "It was a collision you caused because of your choices and actions that have devastated two families—your family as well as the Brown family. You chose to use methamphetamine and get into your vehicle and you caused

the collision which killed Mr. Brown.”

The judge said White’s criminal record demonstrated that he failed to learn from his previous convictions for DUI and drug charges. “You engaged in similar conduct with devastating results. I believe you are a danger to the community.”

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