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**Man Sentenced to Prison for Fatal DUI Crash in Duarte**

A 33-year-old man was sentenced today to 20 years to life in state prison after he was convicted of second-degree murder for driving under the influence of alcohol and killing a woman in a car crash, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

William Jose Segura was found guilty by a jury on Dec. 23, 2014, of five felonies: second-degree murder, gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated, DUI causing injury with two or more priors, leaving the scene of an accident and driving while having .08 percent or higher blood alcohol in case GA084275.

The jury also found true special allegations of great bodily injury and blood alcohol of .15 percent or higher.

At today's sentencing, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Jared Moses gave Segura the maximum sentence under the law.

Deputy District Attorneys John Allen Ramseyer and Lara Bazan prosecuted the case.

During the trial, prosecutors said on Sept. 16, 2011, Segura went drinking at two locations before driving down Huntington Drive in Duarte.

According to court testimony, Segura drove up to 90 miles per hour and went through two red stop lights before rear-ending a vehicle driven by Lisa Marie Mireles, 42.

As a result of the collision, the victim's car jumped the curb, wrapped around a tree and Mireles died instantly, prosecutors said. Following the crash, Segura fled the scene on foot, but was later apprehended by authorities at his home.

At trial, a toxicology expert testified that Segura's blood alcohol level was between .28 and .33 percent at the time of the crash.

Prosecutors said Segura had DUI convictions in 2004, 2006 and 2010 and was arrested for a fourth DUI four months prior to the fatal crash.

Additionally, at the time of the crash, Segura was on probation, driving on a suspended license and in a court-mandated alcohol program, prosecutors added.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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