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**Woman Pleads to Vehicular Manslaughter
in Death of Australian Rugby Star**

A Westchester woman pleaded no contest today to vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated in the August 2012 death of an Australian rugby star who was hit and killed while vacationing in Santa Monica with his family, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Cara Maree Cameron, 28, is scheduled to return to Los Angeles Superior Court, Airport Branch, on Jan. 17 for sentencing before Judge Leslie E. Brown, said Deputy District Attorney Kevin Liu.

She is facing up to four years in custody and will be ordered to pay \$100,000 in restitution to the family of Gary Mara, Liu said.

Mara, a former rugby star, entered a crosswalk with his wife and their eight-year-old daughter against the light when he was struck by a car driven by Cameron. The accident occurred on Aug. 21, 2012. Mara died later at a local hospital.

The accident was investigated by the Santa Monica Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Annually, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecutes more than 60,000 felonies and 140,000 misdemeanor crimes.