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Sheriff Clarke Praises Judge's Sentencing on Wrong-Way Drunk Driver Defendant Caused Head-on Freeway Crash, Passenger Injured



Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. praised Judge Jeffrey Conen on the sentence he handed to Joel Julian-Jorge yesterday for driving drunk and the wrong-way on the freeway in April and crashing head-on into another vehicle. Conen sentenced Julian-Jorge to 4 years in prison, against the lenient recommendation of probation by the Wisconsin Department of Corrections.

“Compare this to the lenient sentence handed down last week under similar circumstances by a different judge” said Sheriff Clarke. “A bed and breakfast sentence (Huber) at the jail in Franklin does not serve as a deterrent. I commend Judge Conen for seeing through the smoke screen of racism insinuated by this illegal immigrant and imposing a strong sentence to get that message across. Judge Conen’s colleagues on the bench should take note.”

Julian-Jorge is an illegal immigrant and the US Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will begin deportation hearings after he serves his prison sentence.

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