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WOODLAKE MAN SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR DUI WITH INJURY

Today in Department 6 of the Tulare County Superior Court, Visalia Division, Judge Gary Paden sentenced Josue Valdovinos, age 33, of Woodlake, to 5 years in state prison for causing a crash while intoxicated resulting in injury.

On February 20, 2017, Valdovinos pleaded no contest to one count of driving under the influence of alcohol causing injury with the special allegation that he personally inflicted great bodily injury on the victims.

At 8:18 a.m. on December 3, 2016, the California Highway Patrol was dispatched to the intersection of Avenue 328 and Road 112 near Visalia for a two car collision. A Tulare County Sheriff's deputy was also on scene. It was determined that Valdovinos slammed in to the back of a vehicle waiting to turn left on to Avenue 328. Valdovinos admitted to the deputy that he had earlier consumed a Four Loco malt beverage. A blood test later revealed a .16% BAC and the presence of marijuana and methamphetamine. Two adult female victims were treated for severe injuries at Kaweah Delta. At the time of the crash, Valdovinos was on probation for domestic violence.

The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Eric Wang and investigated by the California Highway Patrol as well as the Tulare County Sheriff's Department.

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