

Woman convicted of charges in fatal hit-and run accident

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. (AP) — A former Leavenworth woman faces sentencing in February after being convicted of charges in the hit-and-run death of a Leavenworth teenager.

Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson said a jury found 28-year-old Amber Alexander guilty last week of second-degree murder, interference with law enforcement and failure to stop at the scene an accident following a 2 1/2 day trial in Leavenworth County District Court.

Prosecutors presented evidence that Alexander had several drinks before leaving a bar in Lansing and driving to Main Street in nearby Leavenworth in August. Alexander allegedly struck a 16-year-old girl before speeding away and crossing a bridge into Missouri.

Sentencing is scheduled for Feb. 2.

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