

Man sentenced for leaving scene of fatal wreck

**(KAIR)--A 24-year-old resident of Leavenworth County is going to prison, sentenced for leaving the scene of a fatal 2019 wreck.**

**According to a release from Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson, Christopher Nichols, Jr., of Basehor, was sentenced Wednesday in Leavenworth County District Court to 2-years-8-months of incarceration for one count of leaving the scene of an accident resulting in death to a person.**

**Thompson, in the release, explains that the felony charge means “that a person knew or should have known a person was dead, yet still left the scene.”**

**According to Thompson, the fatal wreck occurred near midnight, on October 25, 2019, when Nichols, and the victim of the wreck, had just left a bar, with Nichols, while driving, posting a photo of himself and his unconscious passenger to Snapchat.**

**A short time later, Nichols “wrecked his Jeep causing the vehicle to roll over, ejecting the victim,” who “was found on the roadway by nearby residents.”**

**As those residents tended to the victim, Nichols checked on the victim and then ran from the scene, spotted about four hours later at a friend’s house where his father picked him up, with Nichols going to the hospital, according to Thompson, “approximately seven hours after the crash to seek medical attention for his injuries.”**

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