

## Driver Pleads Not Guilty in the Death of a Child While Driving Intoxicated

*23 Year old claims innocence in the death of a 9 year old girl that was struck while he was under the effects of alcohol.*

**Online PR News – 19-January-2010** In [Oceanside](#) a 9 year old girl died a few weeks ago when she was struck by a car driven by 23 year old Michael J. Wright while driving under the influence. He was put on trial and plead not guilty of child endangerment, vehicular manslaughter and driving under the influence. 9 year old Violet Rosenquest was the child of the woman he was seeing at the time of the accident and were passengers of the vehicle. Michael J. Wright was taken into custody Oceanside crash that took the young passengers life.

An [Oceanside auto repair](#) facility believes that judging by the damage received by the vehicle that it is a miracle that Michael survived at all, however this is still a tragic case of negligence.

The Oceanside collision took place around 1a.m. Northbound on Interstate near Cassidy St. The girl, Violet Rosenquist L.A.County, near Oceanside, was in the back seat of Wrights vehicle, a 2006 Lexus RS3300, when Wright failed didn't notice in time that the vehicles ahead of him were slowing down. He swerved off to the right and struck a Dodge Caliber, then struck a Honda CRV, then ran into the rear left side of a tractor trailer. Wright and the girls mother, who was in the front passenger seat were transported to the hospital and treated for injuries, while the girl was transported to Rady Childrens Hospital, where she died of injuries just minutes after she arrived.

Michael J. Wright Jr. who resides in Commerce in L. A. County was taken into custody and held on \$400,000 bond ordered by Judge M. Hockett in San Diego County. Wright is now facing as much as 15 yrs in prison if found guilty, according to Deputy San Diego D. A. Jodi Breton.

Wright is being charged with driving under the influence causing bodily injury, driving under the influence with a blood alcohol level of .08% or higher, gross vehicular manslaughter with alcohol, and two counts of child endangerment with great bodily injury.

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