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For Immediate Release

Date: March 7, 2022

Re: Manslaughter Charge Filed Against Joseph Richardson

This afternoon the Summit County Attorney's Office filed one charge of Manslaughter, a Second-Degree Felony, against Joseph Richardson, for his alleged actions on March 16, 2021. The charge stems from a motor vehicle crash in Provo, Utah, which claimed the life of a twenty-two-year-old Brigham Young University student.

The Summit County Attorney's Office is acting under special authority from the Utah County Attorney's Office due to a potential conflict of interest. Attached is the charging document containing a probable cause statement with further detail. These are allegations, Mr. Richardson is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

The Summit County Attorney's Office asks anyone with additional information to call the Investigator listed below.

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