
A verdict is adjudicated against the defendants on the criminal case of an accident, resulted the death of basketball team members from Volgograd



Evidence collected by the Main Investigation Directorate of the Investigative Committee of Russia was recognized as sufficient to pass a sentence on the defendants in the criminal case of a traffic accident that resulted in the death of basketball team members from the Volgograd city. Among them there is Mr. Maxim Larionov, who was found guilty of committing a crime in accordance with Part 5, Article 264 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (violation of traffic rules resulting in the death of two or more persons), Mr. Ruslan Nakhmetov - in accordance with Part 1, Article 238 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (provision of services that do not meet security requirements) and Part 3, Article 327 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (acquisition, storage, transportation for the purpose of use and use of a knowingly forged official document granting rights), and Ms. Tatyana Astafieva - in accordance with Part 1, Article 293 of the

Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (negligence) and Part 1, Article 285 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (abuse of official powers).

The investigation and the court established that on April 30, 2021, in the area of 534 km of the Astrakhan-Elista-Stavropol Federal highway, the driver of the VAZ-2109 car, Mr. Maxim Larionov, drove into the oncoming lane and collided with a DAF truck. As a result, the latter also ended up in the oncoming traffic lane and collided with a Mercedes minibus driven by Mr. Ruslan Nakhmetov, who was transporting the girls' basketball team of the Volgograd Olympic Reserve Sports School No. 2 to the Cherkessk city for sports competitions.

As a result of a traffic accident, five athletes died at the scene of the accident and five more received serious bodily harm.

The trip was organized by Ms. Tatyana Astafieva, Head of the sports institution, in gross violation of the established rules, without notifying the traffic police, using a minibus that does not meet the requirements for the organized transportation of a group of children.

At the same time, Mr. Nakhmetov transported children in a car not equipped with seat belts for passengers.

During the investigation, it was established that Ms. Astafyeva used her powers contrary to the interests of her service. She systematically received money for renting out the sports hall of the sports and recreation center.

It was also established that Mr. Nakhmetov used a fake employment book when applying for a job.

By a verdict, Mr. Larionov was sentenced to 4 years and 4 months in prison to be served in a penal colony-settlement with deprivation of the right to engage in activities related to driving vehicles for a period of 2 years and 6 months. Ms. Astafyeva was sentenced by the court to a fine of 150,000 rubles with the deprivation of the right to hold positions related to the exercise of organizational, administrative and executive powers in the public service and in local governments for a period of 2 years and 6 months. Mr. Nakhmetov was sentenced to imprisonment for a period of 2 years. In addition, the court decided to enforce Mr. Larionov compensate the pain, suffering and loss of amenity in the amount of 1,000,000 rubles to each family whose child died, and 600,000 rubles to the victims who received grievous bodily harm.

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