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## **Alleged DWI driver in fatal Sag Harbor crash to be arraigned Jan. 4**

The driver involved in a fatal hit-and-run crash in Sag Harbor last August has been indicted by a grand jury and will be arraigned Monday, January 4, Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said.

Sean Ludwick, 42, a Manhattan developer and part-time east end resident, is scheduled to be formally arraigned on an indictment in Central Islip.

The indictment charges the defendant with aggravated vehicular homicide, vehicular manslaughter, manslaughter, driving while intoxicated, aggravated driving while intoxicated, leaving the scene, reckless driving, speeding, failure to stay in a single lane and driving on the shoulder or slope of the roadway.

The top charge of aggravated vehicular homicide is punishable by a sentence in state prison of eight and one-third to 25 years, DA Spota said. Sag Harbor Village Police, New York State Police, the New York State Police Forensic ID & Collision Reconstruction Unit and the district attorney's Vehicular Crimes Bureau assisted town police in the investigation of the crash.

Real estate broker Paul Hansen, 53, of Sag Harbor died at the scene on Rolling Hill Court East in Sag Harbor where Ludwick struck a utility pole at a curve. The defendant and his damaged Porsche were found by police on Woodvale Street more than a block away from the crash.

He is free on \$1 million bond.

State Supreme Court Justice Fernando Camacho will preside at the arraignment. The court calendar will be called at 9:30 am.

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