

**COUNTY OF SUFFOLK  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**



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### **Court conference tomorrow for repeat drunk driver**

An East Hampton woman who allegedly violated the conditions of her DWI probation is scheduled for a court conference before Justice William Condon tomorrow (Tuesday, June 26) in Riverhead.

Charlotte DePersia violated the terms of her probation by drinking wine at a Montauk restaurant on March 10 of this year. The defendant's alcohol-detection ankle monitor registered a .039 blood-alcohol level; a reading consistent with the consumption of two glasses of wine.

DePersia, 59, of Toilsome Lane, is free on \$500,000 cash bail.

Since 2003, she has been arrested three times for driving under the influence of alcohol, most recently in 2010 when she crossed the centerline of a Bridgehampton road and struck an oncoming car injuring two women. The defendant pleaded guilty to felony DWI, vehicular assault, crossing the median and possession of an alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle and Justice Condon sentenced the defendant to probation on December 13 of last year. At the time of the 2010 crash, DePersia was on probation for a 2009 DWI.

Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said the district attorney's office will recommend the maximum sentence of one and one-third to four years imprisonment in the event the defendant admits to violating probation at tomorrow's court conference.

Justice Condon (fourth floor of the courthouse) will call the court calendar at 9:30 am.



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Defendants are entitled to a fair trial with the burden on the government to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.