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## Press Release

## Norwood man pleads not guilty In Wrentham dragging hit-and-run

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Mr. Moses Acloque pled not guilty at his arraignment in Wrentham District Court Nov. 19, 2013 to charges of Leaving the Scene of a Collision Causing Death; Motor Vehicle Homicide by Negligent Operation; Leaving the scene of a Personal Injury Crash; 2 counts of Leaving the Scene of Property damage; and Driving while License to Operate Suspended.

The Commonwealth requested \$5,000 cash bail, with bail conditions (should he post) of home confinement enforced by GPS monitoring, no driving during the pendency of the case and a stay away/no contact order from the victim and the Arbor Inn.

Defense Attorney Rudy Miller asked \$2,500 cash bail and that the defendant be allowed to work.

Judge Emogene Johnson Smith ordered \$3,000 cash bail with GPS exclusion zones to include the Arbor Inn should he post bail.

Judge Johnson Smith ordered the defendant to return to the Wrentham District Court December 19, 2013 for a probable cause hearing.

Wrentham Police received multiple calls reporting an incident at the Arbor Inn on Rte. 1 at about 10 p.m. on Nov. 18 involving two pedestrians being struck by a motor vehicle. One victim survived with relatively minor injuries not requiring hospitalization. A second victim, Kanchanben Patel, age 58, was allegedly dragged more than 3 miles up Rte. 1 Northbound, to the vicinity of the Chickie Flynn restaurant in the town of Foxborough, a short distance south of Patriot Place. She was pronounced dead at that location.

The incident remains under active investigation by the Massachusetts State Police, Wrentham Police and Norfolk District Attorney's Office.