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**DELAWARE COUNTY DA TANNER ROUSE ANNOUNCES CHARGES
IN THE DEATH OF SWARTHMORE COLLEGE PROFESSOR**

Media, PA – Delaware County District Attorney Tanner Rouse announces that charges have been approved against 18-year-old Kali Poole of Collingdale in the death of Swarthmore College Professor Eduard “Teddy” Einstein. A comprehensive investigation was led by Sergeant Daniel Connell of the Upper Darby Police Department.

According to the investigators, police responded to a motor vehicle crash at West Providence Road and East Penn Pines Boulevard in Upper Darby Township. The victim, a 39-year-old male, was riding his bike when he was struck by the Defendant. Despite only holding a learner’s permit, the offender was operating a vehicle alone and with marijuana in his system at the time of the crash. The Defendant failed to yield properly while making a left turn and struck the victim as he rode his bike. It was found that the victim was lawfully operating the bike in a marked bike lane and had no duty to stop or yield. Subsequent blood testing revealed that the Defendant was under the influence of marijuana at the time of the crash.

“This is a tragedy- an utterly preventable loss of life. The victim acted lawfully and responsibly, while the Defendant made the deliberate choice to drive while high and without a license. These decisions had irreversible consequences that I hope our entire community will take note of. Driving under the influence puts lives at risk. Plain and simple. Our office is committed to holding the defendant fully accountable and to seeking justice for the victim and his family.” said District Attorney Tanner Rouse.

Following a comprehensive review of the evidence The Delaware County District Attorney’s Office has approved the following charges against Kali Poole:

Homicide by Vehicle while DUI (F2) – 1 count

DUI: Controlled Substance or Metabolite, 1st Offense (M) – 1 count
Accidents Involving Death or Injury While Not Licensed (F3) – 1 count
Driving without a License (S) – 1 count
Learner Accompanied – At Least 18/21 Yrs Old (S) – 1 count
Careless Driving (S) – 1 count
Careless Driving – Unintentional Death (S) – 1 count
Improper Left Turn (S) – 1 count
Vehicle Turning Left (S) – 1 count

On May 4, 2026, a complaint was filed and a warrant was issued for the arrest of Kali Poole. The investigation remains ongoing. The District Attorney's Office urges anyone with additional information to contact the lead investigator on this case, Sergeant Daniel Connell of the Upper Darby Police Department at 610-734-7686.

The District Attorney and the Criminal Investigations Division would like to remind everyone that all individuals charged are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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