

Fatal crash suspect must abide by curfew

Strict conditions imposed on man arrested in Toronto

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A judge has refused to relax the bail conditions of a Calgary man charged with hit and run in the vehicle-pedestrian death of Lindsay Giacomelli on St. Patrick's Day.

Court of Queen's Bench Justice Myra Bielby, after hearing arguments by defence lawyer Balfour Der and Crown prosecutor Yasafina Somji on Friday, ordered conditions on Colin Jones to remain as they were made on March 24 by provincial court Judge Sandra Hamilton.

Jones, 48, manager of a construction company, had sought to have the curfew removed from his conditions, in order to be able to work in a new job and coach rugby, a sport in which he has been involved for many years.

He must be in his home from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. from Monday to Friday and at all times on weekends, except 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. He was also ordered to post \$5,000 cash or \$10,000 non-cash assets.

Details of the application cannot be reported because of a prior publication ban.

Jones was arrested in Toronto just before midnight on March 21, trying to board a flight to London, England, and charged with fleeing the collision.

Giacomelli, 19, a University of Calgary student who loved dancing, was struck by an eastbound sport utility vehicle on March 17 while crossing the street in a crosswalk in the 10900 block of Bonaventure Drive S.E. near Fairmount Drive.

Police said the vehicle had slowed down after the collision, then left the scene.

Giacomelli died the following day from her injuries.

Jones's one-week trial is set to begin on Dec. 12 at provincial court.

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Colin Jones, right, is escorted by a police officer at the Calgary airport after he was arrested in Toronto in March and brought back here to face a hit-and-run charge in connection with the death of a pedestrian.