

## Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office Michael C. O'Malley

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## Cleveland Woman Indicted for Drunk-Driving Crash That Killed Two Lakewood Teenagers

CLEVELAND – Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that a grand jury has returned an indictment charging Selena Colon, 23, for a drunk-driving crash that killed two 19-year-olds in Lakewood last month.

"Ms. Colon was drunk-driving over 90 mph in a 35 mph zone. This resulted in the death of two wonderful friends and their families left in total anguish," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "She will be held accountable."

On February 21, 2021, Colon was driving eastbound on Clifton Avenue when she crashed into the victims' car as they were turning westbound onto Clifton from Fry Avenue. Lakewood Police and Emergency Medical Services, along with the Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office and Ohio State Highway Patrol, responded to the scene and processed it for evidence. The impact split the victims' car in half and caused two victims to be ejected from the vehicle. Both of those victims were pronounced deceased at the scene. A third victim, 18, was transported to a nearby hospital and treated for his injuries. Colon was arrested and later transported to the Cuyahoga County Jail.

The investigation revealed that Colon was under the influence of alcohol at the time of the crash, did not have her headlights on, and was driving at speeds that exceeded 90 miles per hour just before impact.

Colon has been indicted on the following charges:

- Four counts of Aggravated Vehicular Homicide
- Two counts of Aggravated Vehicular Assault
- One count of Driving While Under the Influence

She will be arraigned at the Cuyahoga County Justice Center at a later date.