

### STATE OF FLORIDA

#### FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

#### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS





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## HERNANDO COUNTY March 4, 2013

Jury selection began March 4th in The State of Florida v. Brittany Elizabeth Miles in Courtroom D with Circuit Judge, Daniel B. Merritt, Jr. presiding. Defendant Miles is charged with murder in the first degree and aggravated fleeing or eluding.

On or about May 10, 2011 Miles was placed under arrest by Pasco Sheriff's Deputy Ashley Grady for suspicion of driving under the influence. Miles slipped out her handcuffs and escaped from custody. Deputy Grady was injured while trying to place Miles back in custody. Miles took off in her pickup truck heading toward Hernando County. Miles is alleged to have run a red light near County Line Road in Hernando, and hit Henry McCain who was riding a motorcycle. Mr. McCain died from his injuries.

Defendant Miles was found guilty in Pasco County, in November of 2012, of battery on a law enforcement officer, fleeing to elude, and driving under the influence. Miles was sentenced to fifteen years for the Pasco Charges. Brittany Miles could be sentenced to life for the first degree murder charge in the Hernando trial.

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