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Man Charged with Involuntary Manslaughter (Vehicular Homicide)

Nathaniel Ben Ashley, 26, an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation, appeared in federal court on April 6, 2010, and pleaded not guilty to an indictment charging him with Involuntary Manslaughter. The possible penalty if convicted is 8 years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and a three year term of supervised release. The charge relates to an incident that occurred within the boundaries of the Navajo Nation Indian Reservation. Trial is pending.

The indictment is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent unless proven guilty.

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