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Eureka Man Sentenced to 30 Days in Jail for DUI Conviction

On Friday, June 3, 2011, Superior Court Judge W. Bruce Watson sentenced Larry Joe Riley, 50, of Eureka, to 30 days in jail after a Humboldt County jury found him guilty of driving under the influence of alcohol and driving with a blood alcohol content of over .08 percent on December 31, 2010. Riley was also fined \$2,623, must attend a first offender program and was placed on informal probation for thirty-six months.

District Attorney Paul Gallegos said that the sentence underscores the dangers posed by those driving under the influence. "We hope this creates an incentive for people not to drink and drive," noted Gallegos. "No taxi ride home costs as much as this DUI."

During the same proceedings, Riley pled guilty to petty theft stemming from charges in a separate incident.

Deputy District Attorney Christa McKimmy successfully prosecuted this case.

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