

A Georgia prosecutor has announced criminal charges will be dropped against the trucking company involved in a crash that killed five local nursing students.

Tom Durden is the district attorney for southeast Georgia's Atlantic Judicial Circuit.

The trucking company, Total Transportation, has also agreed to spend \$200,000 to establish a non-profit organization that would provide financial aid for nursing students.

On April 2015, truck driver John Wayne Johnson plowed through cars stopped on Interstate 16 due to an earlier accident.

Troopers say Johnson failed to stop and crashed into two cars. Five Georgia Southern University nursing students died from the wreck.

Johnson admitted he was texting at the time. Records also show he's been fired from two other trucking companies. Johnson also has a history of falling asleep at the wheel.

While criminal charges have been dropped against the trucking company, Johnson still faces charges.

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