

## **FLORIDA**

# **Ex-Marine guilty in fatal accident**

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A former Marine who suffered severe brain trauma in combat pleaded guilty in a fatal drunk driving accident in Florida that highlighted the military's diagnosis of cases like his.

Scott Sciple pleaded guilty in Tampa to manslaughter while driving under the influence and DUI with personal injury in a 2010 wreck that killed a 48-year-old father.

Sciple's family and lawyer blamed the crash on his injuries suffered in Iraq and Afghanistan. He received three Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star for heroism.

He will be released to a Virginia treatment facility. He was sentenced to a year in jail but got credit for time served. He was also sentenced to two years of house

arrest and 12 years of probation.