

Fatal Accident Costs Bus Driver His Driving Position but Not His Employment



A Toronto Transit Commission bus driver got fired after running over a 14-year-old passenger right after she exited the bus. Adding to the gut-wrenching was that the driver continued on without stopping, apparently unaware of what had just happened. Although criminally charged, the driver There was no dispute about the driver's responsibility. The only question was whether he deserved to lose his job. While criminally fined for the incident, the driver didn't lose or have any restrictions placed on his licence. But he did have a disciplinary record for careless driving and was uncooperative in the investigation. At the same time, the incident was a momentarily lapse and the driver expressed remorse. So, at the end of the day, the Ontario arbitrator concluded that while he was a terrible driver, he was a good employee and could keep working for TTC in a position that didn't involve any driving [[Toronto Transit Commission v Amalgamated Transit Union Local 113](#), 2021 CanLII 44947 (ON LA), May 27, 2021].