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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that **Robert J. Noble (DOB: 5/6/1990)** was found guilty of one count of Aggravated Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol after a jury trial before the Honorable Judge Philip Nicolosi.

On October 3, 2025, Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a residence in the 300 block of Huron Road in Machesney Park, in reference to a person passed out in a white van in the driveway. Upon arrival, Deputies observed a person, identified as the defendant, Robert Noble, lying across the driver and passenger seats. During trial, deputies testified they attempted to speak with Noble, but he was very sleepy and confused. They also testified that they smelled the odor of alcohol emitting from the defendant. A witness also testified that Noble could not hold still and deputies had a hard time understanding him when he was speaking. Deputies conducted one standard field sobriety test on the scene, and the defendant refused to perform the remaining tests. A later review of the defendant's criminal history showed that he committed the offense of Driving Under the Influence on at least three prior occasions.

Noble is scheduled to be back in court on November 12, 2026, before Judge Nicolosi in Courtroom 311 of the Winnebago County Courthouse.

Aggravated Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol is a Class 2 Felony, probation is not eligible; mandatory sentence of 3-7 years in the Illinois Department of Correction followed by 12 months of mandatory supervised release.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorneys Joe Lesner and Rio Ottolino are handling the prosecution.

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