Man found guilty of fleeing from police

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LEAVENWORTH, Kan. – A jury found James Gail Cody Crawford, 35, of Leavenworth, Kansas, guilty of Fleeing or Attempting to Elude a Police Officer. The verdict was reached on July 8, 2024.

According to court documents, on March 11, 2024, Leavenworth police officers pursued Crawford's vehicle, which matched a vehicle that had been reported stolen. The pursuit began near the intersection of Marion and 1st Street. During the pursuit, Crawford's vehicle struck a curb, crossed over the centerline, and exceeded the speed limit. Once officers spotted other vehicles in the area, the pursuit was ended. Later that evening, the vehicle involved was located abandoned near 14th and Kingman.

"Running from the police is never a good idea. Doing so endangers other motorists, officers, and yourself," said Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson.

Crawford pled not guilty on April 19, 2024. Sentencing is scheduled for Aug. 23, 2024.