

## **MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH**

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### **Man Receives Life in Prison for Murder**

(October 28, 2014... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Judge Christine Croce sentenced Jacob Umana, 38, to 16 years to life in prison for the murder of Stephanie Junius. He received 15 years to life for Murder and one year on the repeat violent offender specification. Umana will not be eligible for parole until he has served 16 years in prison.

On September 29, 2014, Umana pled guilty to Murder, a special felony with a Repeat Violent Offender classification.

Late in the evening of December 23, 2013, Akron Police were alerted by neighbors who heard a woman yelling for help. They found the body of 44-year-old Stephanie Junius in a shed near the 600 block of East Buchtel Avenue. Junius had been brutally stabbed to death with a screwdriver. Police arrested Umana after finding him in the shed on top of the victim.