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Akron Man Pleads Guilty to Killing Wife *Judge McKenney Issues Sentence of 13 Years in Prison*

AKRON, Ohio (Friday, April 10, 2015) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that John Paxton, 88 of Peckham Street in Akron, pled guilty to involuntary manslaughter, a felony of the first degree.

On July 8, 2014, Paxton shot and killed his 79-year-old wife Betty. Paxton then shot himself in the chin, but survived. The victim's family spoke at today's sentencing.

Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Todd McKenney immediately sentenced Paxton to 13 years in prison. Paxton must first serve a mandatory three year sentence for a gun specification. The 10 year sentence for involuntary manslaughter is to be served consecutively.