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Akron Mother Sentenced to Prison for Burning Toddler

AKRON, Ohio (date) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Amy Corrigan Jones sentenced Monique Smith, 27, of Laffer Avenue in Akron, to five years in prison for severely burning her young child.

On May 25, 2016, Smith pled guilty to the following charges:

- Child Endangering – a felony of the 2nd degree
- Felonious Assault – a felony of the 2nd degree

In July of 2015, Smith's two-and-a-half year old daughter was brought to Akron Children's Hospital where she was treated for first and second degree burns to her buttocks and feet. Because of her injuries, the toddler spent nearly a week in the hospital. Investigators determined the burns were consistent with someone being held in 124 degree water for between five and ten minutes.