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Akron Man Sentenced to LIFE IN PRISON for Killing 21-Year-Old

AKRON, Ohio (Wednesday, May 15, 2019) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Christine Croce sentenced Devon Williams, 22, of Vicgross Avenue in Akron, to LIFE IN PRISON, for murdering 21-year-old Shawn Prude last November.

Williams will be eligible for parole after spending 25 years in prison.

On Friday May 10, 2019, a Summit County jury found Williams guilty of the following charges:

- Two Counts of Murder with Gun Specifications – Special Felonies
- Attempted Murder with a Gun Specification – a Felony of the 1st degree
- Two Counts of Felonious Assault with a Gun Specification – Felonies of the 2nd degree
- Carrying A Concealed Weapon – a Felony of the 4th degree

On November 20, 2018, Shawn Prude and 22-year-old Lamarcus Thomas pulled up to the Family Foods Convenience store on Arlington Road in Akron. Devon Williams was already at the store and shot at Prude and Thomas. Prude was struck multiple times and died a short time later. Thomas was able to escape.