

MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Man Sentenced to Six Years for Felonious Assault, Domestic Violence

(April 21, 2009, Akron) ... Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Ronald Patton, 44, of Akron, was sentenced to six years in prison by Judge Unruh. Patton was found guilty after a jury trial of **Felonious Assault**, a felony of the second degree, **Violating a Protection Order**, a felony of the third degree, two counts of **Domestic Violence**, felonies of the fourth-degree, two counts of **Unlawful Restraint** and **Domestic Violence Menacing**, both misdemeanors. He pled guilty to **Obstructing Justice**, a felony of the fifth degree.

Patton was charged with **Domestic Violence** from an event that happened on June 22, 2007 with the same victim. During that event, Patton punched the victim in the face, strangled her and would not let her leave the bedroom. On November 14, 2007, while that case was pending and with a protection order in place, Patton convinced the victim to allow him to come over to her house for some clothes. Once inside, Patton punched, kicked and strangled the victim numerous times. After beating her, he bound her hands and feet so she could not escape while he went to have a cigarette. He was arrested in September, 2008 after fleeing to Cleveland.