

MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Teacher sentenced to six months for smuggling pills into jail

(Akron, December 21, 2009) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Elizabeth Douglas, 46, of Norton, pled guilty today to Attempted Illegal Conveyance of Drugs onto Grounds of Specified Governmental Facility, a felony of the fourth degree, and Possession of Dangerous Drug, a misdemeanor.

Douglas was sentenced to serve six months in prison, to run concurrent with a previous jail sentence for DUI.

On July 27, 2009, Douglas began her sentence in the Glenwood Jail as a result of a DUI conviction (F4). On August 22, 2009 a shakedown of the facility was performed for the safe running of the jail. At that time a bag of pills was located hidden under the rug in the corner of Douglas's cell. Among the pills was Trazadone, a prescription medication, which is a dangerous drug. It was determined the pills belonged to Douglas and when confronted, she confirmed the drugs were hers.

Douglas is an East High School teacher. She has had four DUI's in six years.