

MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Weems Sentenced to Five Years in Prison for Driving Car into Crowd

(March 29, 2012... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Judge Paul Gallagher sentenced Lashawndra Weems, 24, of North Seiberling Street in Akron, to five years in prison.

On July 13, Weems and her sister got into a fight with several other women on Donald Street in Akron. Weems got into her car and started to drive away, then turned her car around and sped back. She jumped the curb and hit one of the women with whom she had been fighting and four other onlookers, two of whom were children. Although several of the victims were initially hospitalized, they are all recovering.

Weems pleaded guilty to one count of Felonious Assault, a felony of the second degree, and three counts of Aggravated Vehicular Assault, a felony of the third degree, on March 2, 2012.