

MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Akron “Fake Vet” Sentenced Today

(February 8, 2013... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Brandi Tomko, 36, of Ridge Road in Akron, was sentenced to 18 months in prison.

On February 8, 2013, Judge Paul Gallagher found Tomko guilty of Identity Fraud, a felony of the fourth degree; Forgery, a felony of the fifth degree; three counts of Prohibitions Concerning Companion Animals, misdemeanors of the first degree; Practicing Veterinary Medicine without a License, a misdemeanor of the second degree; and two counts of Theft, misdemeanors of the first degree. Tomko also pleaded guilty to Aggravated Possession of Drugs, a felony of the fifth degree, and Possession of Drug Abuse Instruments, a misdemeanor of the first degree.

Tomko ran the C&D Animal Hospital in Akron, and held herself out as a veterinarian. She performed numerous medical procedures on cats and dogs over a four-year period.