

## **MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH**

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### **Eight Years in Prison for Akron Burglary**

(August 15, 2014... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Brandon J. Ferrebee, 19, of West Wilbeth Road in Akron, pleaded guilty today to Aggravated Robbery, a felony of the first degree with a firearm specification, and Escape, a felony of the second degree.

Ferrebee and 17-year-old accomplice broke into an Akron home in the early hours of May 5. The two, who were wearing masks, woke up the 18-year-old male who lived there by putting a gun in his face and demanding money. The Man gave them cash and his mother's winning lottery tickets. Before leaving, one of the burglars punched the victim in the face, breaking his jaw. They were both later caught on video surveillance cashing the lottery tickets. After obtaining a search warrant for the juvenile's home, Akron police officers found black masks, as well as ammunition in a lockbox under his bed.

Judge Mary Margaret Rowlands sentenced Ferrebee to eight years in prison. The juvenile co-defendant admitted in Juvenile Court (the equivalent of being found guilty in the Court of Common Pleas) to Aggravated Burglary, a felony of the first degree; Felonious Assault, a felony of the second degree; and Receiving Stolen Property, a misdemeanor of the first degree, on July 30. He will be sentenced in Juvenile Court on August 22.