

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

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### **Dontay Taylor Guilty of Embassy Lounge Murder**

(February 11, 2014... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that a jury found Dontay Taylor, 23, of Eva Avenue in Akron, guilty of Murder with a firearm specification; three counts of Felonious Assault, felonies of the second degree with firearm specifications; and Having Weapons Under Disability, a felony of the third degree.

On July 23, 2012, Taylor went to Embassy Lounge on Romig Avenue in Akron with two male friends. The bar's manager, Wes Tucker, refused to let Taylor enter because he had a history of causing trouble there. Taylor and Tucker started arguing. Taylor went to the car, got a gun and returned to the bar, firing eight times toward Tucker. Two patrons were hit but survived. A third person, 38-year-old Rahsaan Price, died of a gunshot wound to the neck.

Judge Mary Margaret Rowlands will sentence Taylor on February 18 at 10:30 a.m.