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Akron Man Sentenced to Life for Murder of Canton Man

AKRON, Ohio (Friday, March 13, 2015) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Judge Thomas Teodosio sentenced Paul Reed, 39, of Minota Avenue in Akron, to life in prison. He will be eligible for parole after serving 15 years.

Jurors last month found Reed guilty of two counts of murder, both special felonies, in the death of 69-year-old James Harris.

On April 26, 2014, Reed arranged for Harris to come over to his home to purchase a car. After arriving Harris was lured into the basement to look at other items for sale, and was brutally attacked by Reed.

Co-defendant Tiffany Powell is scheduled for trial on March 31, 2015.