

Media Release Cases

<u>Number</u>	Judge - Court Room	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Agency</u>
	<u>Defendants</u>		Primary Charges
00140-15-CR	Russo, Joseph D. 22-D	Major Trial	Cleveland Division of Police
	Gilner, Ervontay O. Smith, Justice		
	Media Synopsis:		Charges:
	On March 17, 2015, Gilner and Smith, both 18, of Cleveland, physically and sexually assaulted a 20-year-old victim during a burglary. Trial is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m.	2905.01(A)(3): Kidnapping (x1) F1	
		2907.02(A)(2): Rape (x1) F1	
		2911.11(A)(1): Aggravated Burglary (x1) F1	
		2903.11(A)(1): Felonious Assault (x1) F2	
		2903.11(A)(2): Felonious Assault (x1) F2	
			2921.04(B)(1): Intimidation Of Crime Victim Or (x1) F3 Witness
			2903.21(A): Aggravated Menacing (x1) Mi
		2913.02(A)(1): Theft (x1) Mi	
		2919.25(A): Domestic Violence (x1) M1	
	Future Court Action:	Trial 8/15/2016	

598310-15-CR Corrigan, Peter J. 19-C

Major Trial

Cleveland Division of Police

Hicks, Robert | Grant, Anthony

Media Synopsis:

On May 11, 2015, Hicks, then 20, of Cleveland, and Grant, then 17, of Cleveland, were involved in the fatal shooting of a 47-year-old victim near W. 38th and Denison Avenue in Cleveland.

On August 3, Hicks pled guilty to Involuntary Manslaughter, Attempted Aggravated Robbery, and Weapons While Under Disability. He was sentenced to 17 years in prison.

On June 27, Grant pled guilty to Attempted Aggravated Robbery with firearms specifications.

Grant's sentencing is scheduled at 9:00 a.m.

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 8/16/2016

604752-16-CR

Burnside, Janet R.16-B

ICAC

CCPO - Internet Crimes Against Children

Paris, Donell

Media Synopsis:

A notorious producer of child pornography, Randy Martinez, shared illicit content with Paris, 28, of Euclid as well as many other individuals across the globe. Investigators tracked down Paris and executed a search warrant for his residence, finding multiple devices with child pornography created and stored.

On July 26, defendant pled to 76 counts of Illegal Use of Minor in Nudity-Oriented Material or Performance, Pandering Sexually-Oriented Matter Involving a Minor and Possession of Criminal Tools.

Sentencing is scheduled for 9:00 a.m.

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 8/17/2016

602962-16-CR Donnelly, Michael P. 19-A

General Felony

Brook Park Police Department

Mastrangelo, Nicole A. | Mercer, Tiffany A. | Jones, Bruce E.

Media Synopsis:

On January 23, 2016, Brook Park police went to the home of Nicole Mastrangelo after receiving information from the Sheriff's Department that Jones, who had an active felony warrant, was residing there. Once inside the residence, police discovered an active meth cooking operation in the basement.

Mercer and Jones lived the residence's basement. Mastrangelo previously lived in the basement with her two children but moved upstairs when Mercer and Jones moved in. The lab produced approximately 153 grams of meth.

On June 13, both Mercer and Mastrangelo pled guilty to Assembly or Possession of Chemicals Used to Manufacture Controlled Substance, Possessing Criminal Tools, and Forfeiture of Money in a Drug Case. Mastrangelo also pled guilty to an additional charge of Endangering Children.

Sentencing for Mercer and Mastrangelo is scheduled for 9:00 a.m.

On August 3, Jones pled guilty to Assembly or Possession of Chemicals Used to Manufacture Controlled Substance with schoolyard specifications and Possessing Criminal Tools. His sentencing is scheduled August 30, 2016.

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 8/17/2016

597857-15-CR

Corrigan, Peter J. 19-C

Economic Crime

Office of the Attorney General-Investigations

Sifford, Craig | Sifford, Sandra W.

Media Synopsis:

Defendants were charged with stealing from financial accounts belonging to the late golf legend, Charles Sifford, who died in 2015.

For over three years, the victim's son and his then-wife, both 49, took money for travel, dining, clothes, jewelry, and landscaping at their Brecksville home.

On July 7, Craig Sifford pled guilty to Aggravated Theft and Sandra Sifford pled guilty to Theft and Receiving Stolen Property. The defendants agreed to pay \$315.000 in criminal restitution to the estate of Charles Sifford.

Sentencing is scheduled for 1:00 p.m.

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 8/18/2016

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602726-16-CR Calabrese, Deena 22-B

General Felony

Cleveland Division of Police

Phillips, Johnchez D. | Newton, Da'Shaun | Harrison, David

Media Synopsis:

On December 5, 2015, defendants Phillips, 21, Newton, 19, and Harrison, 19, robbed four victims with a shotgun and a pistol, in Cleveland's Little Italy neighborhood. The first victim, a female, was robbed of her wallet while walking home from her college classes. The second victim was a priest who was leaving church when he was approached by the three defendants. The victim would not turn over the keys to his vehicle and was pistol-whipped. The third victim overheard the commotion and as he tried to help the priest, the defendants turned the guns on him and went through his pockets. Their fourth victim was robbed in a nearby drug store parking lot. This victim was ordered into the back seat of his car, but was able to run inside the store. The defendants did not take the vehicle.

On July 6, the defendants pled guilty to Robbery with firearms specifications and Abduction.

On August 18, 2016:

Sentencing for Newton is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Sentencing for Phillips is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Sentencing for Harrison is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

604326-16-CR

Calabrese, Deena 22-B

General Felony

Richmond Heights Police Department

Phillips, Johnchez D. | Newton, Dashaun

Media Synopsis:

On December 23, 2015 defendants Phillips, 21, and Newton, 19, robbed the victim at gun point in Richmond Park. The defendants took the victim's marijuana, shoes, IPhone and car keys.

On July 6, the defendants pled guilty to Robbery and Abduction.

Newton and Phillips, who were also convicted in a series of robberies in Cleveland's Little Italy neighborhood on December 5 (see above), will be sentenced in this case as well on August 18.

Sentencing for Newton is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Sentencing for Phillips is scheduled for 1:00 p.m.

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 8/18/2016

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