



Media Release Cases

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Judge - Court Room</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Agency</u>
615966-17- CR	Burnside, Janet R.16-B Sapp, Kenneth K. K & C Inc Emrich, Coletta J.	Economic Crime	Ohio Department of Public Safety

Defendants

Primary Charges

Media Synopsis:

11/7/2017

Defendant Sapp, 83, operated a fence for stolen goods out of Ridge Cafe located at W. 73rd and Clark in Cleveland. He would regularly provide his boosters a list of home improvement items that he wanted stolen from Lowe's and Home Depot. During the investigation, undercover Ohio Investigative Unit agents were able to sell Sapp various home improvement items, multiple food stamp cards, and liquor which he believed were all stolen. Agents were also able to buy cocaine and heroin from patrons and employees of the bar. Lowe's and Home Depot loss prevention departments assisted agents with the investigation. Emrich, 78, owns the Ridge Café and willingly allowed and participated in the fencing of these items inside the bar. She and Sapp were seen on surveillance video using the food stamp cards at area grocery stores.

On 11/7/17, Sapp pled to Attempted Conspiracy, Money Laundering Receiving Stolen Property, Alcohol Offenses, and Falsification

Emrich pled to Trafficking in Food Stamps, Receiving Stolen Property, and Alcohol Offenses

K & C, Inc., the liquor permit holder owned by Emrich, pled to Alcohol Offenses and will cancel their liquor license upon sentencing.

Sentencing is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 12/4/2017