



Media Release Cases

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Judge - Court Room</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Agency</u>
590862-14-CR	Barker, Pamela A.21-D	Major Trial	Cleveland Division of Police
Defendants			
Gray, Rufus O.			
Media Synopsis:		Charges:	
Davia Garth, 12, was shot to death in her Clement Avenue home on October 30, 2014, when defendant Gray, 59, of Cleveland, broke into the house and began firing.		2903.01(A): Aggravated Murder (x1) UF	
The girl's mother, Sonya Garth, 45, was also shot. She had filed for divorce from Gray in April 2014 after four years of marriage. Gray also assaulted two other victims who were in the home at the time, a 24-year-old man and a 3-year-old boy.		2903.01(B): Aggravated Murder (x1) UF	
Trial is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.		2903.01(C): Aggravated Murder (x1) UF	
		2911.11(A)(1): Aggravated Burglary (x1) F1	
		2911.11(A)(2): Aggravated Burglary (x1) F1	
		2923.02 / 2903.02(A): Attempted Murder (x1) F1	
		2903.11(A)(2): Felonious Assault (x3) F2	
		2919.25(A): Domestic Violence (x2) F3	
		2923.13(A)(2): Having Weapons Under Disability (x1) F3	
Future Court Action:		Trial 8/17/2015	
587794-14-CR	McClelland, Robert C.21-A	Major Trial	Cleveland Division of Police
Defendants			
Trail, Alfonso, III Trail, Aaron			
Media Synopsis:		Charges:	
On July 24, 2014, after the victim robbed Alfonso Trail, then 28, of Twinsburg, and Aaron Trail, then 24, of Cleveland, of money and a dirt bike, both defendants chased the victim in separate cars and ultimately ran him over. The victim died from his injuries.		2903.01(A): Aggravated Murder (x1) UF	
Trial is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.		2903.02(B): Murder (x1) UF	
		2903.11(A)(1): Felonious Assault (x1) F2	
		2903.11(A)(2): Felonious Assault (x1) F2	
		2923.24(A): Possessing Criminal Tools (x1) F5	
Future Court Action:		Trial 8/18/2015	

586796-14-CR Astrab, Michael 21-C General Felony Parma Police Department

Higgins, Cortique | Turner, Heath Clay | Collins, Diamante
| Adams, Lee, II

Media Synopsis:
Between June 10, 2014 and June 19, 2014, Higgins, 21, of Garfield Heights, Turner, 35, of Richfield, Collins, 21, of Cleveland, and Adams, 23, of Garfield Heights, robbed, pistol whipped and shot persons at the Number One Lounge in Parma, Piffels Pub in Parma and Harry's Steak House in Independence.

Trial is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m.

Charges:

2905.01(A)(2): Kidnapping	(x13)	F1
2911.01(A)(1): Aggravated Robbery	(x13)	F1
2911.01(A)(3): Aggravated Robbery	(x2)	F1
2911.11(A)(1): Aggravated Burglary	(x2)	F1
2911.11(A)(2): Aggravated Burglary	(x2)	F1
2923.02 / 2903.02(A): Attempted Murder	(x1)	F1
2903.11(A)(1): Felonious Assault	(x2)	F2
2903.11(A)(2): Felonious Assault	(x5)	F2
2923.13(A)(2): Having Weapons Under Disability	(x5)	F3
2923.13(A)(2): Having Weapons Under Disability	(x2)	F3
2923.121(A): Illegal Possess of Firearm in Liquor Permit Premises	(x2)	F5

Future Court Action: Trial 8/19/2015

594405-15-CR Saffold, Shirley Strickland21-B General Felony Parma Police Department

Watts, Chakara Lanese | Brown, Albert | Barkley, Jermele
| Green, Jahmeel, Jr. | Green, Jahmeel, Sr.

Media Synopsis:
On March 8, 2015, at the Parma Chuck E. Cheese, a melee ensued involving Watts, then 20, of Cleveland; Brown, then 41, of Lorain; Barkley, then 35, of Cleveland; Green Jr., then 22, of Cleveland; and Green Sr., 43, of Parma. The melee resulted in several workers sustaining physical injuries.

On July 20, 2015, Watts entered a plea of guilty to one count of Attempted Aggravated Riot, Green Jr. entered a plea of guilty to one count of Assault and Green Sr. entered a plea of guilty to one count of Aggravated Riot.

Sentencing for the three defendants mentioned above is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.

Future Court Action: Sentencing 8/19/2015

593000-15-CR

Synenberg, Joan 18-A

Child Victim Section

Cleveland Division of Police

Groce, Quentin D. | Robinson, Keshia M.

Media Synopsis:

Groce, 28, and Robinson, 27, both of Cleveland, physically assaulted two juvenile victims in December 2013. The children suffered bruises and welt marks as a result of the abuse.

On July 21, 2015, Groce entered a plea of guilty to two counts of Attempted Endangering Children, one count of Attempted Permitting Child Abuse and one count of Domestic Violence. Robinson entered a plea of guilty to six counts of Endangering Children, two counts of Domestic Violence and two counts of Permitting Child Abuse.

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

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 8/20/2015

572437-13-CR

Sutula, John D. 23-B

Major Trial

Maple Heights Police Department

Newett, Darnell

Media Synopsis:

On March 3, 2013, a woman was found dead on the living room floor of her Maple Heights apartment with dozens of stab wounds to her head, neck and torso as well as cervical compressions and blunt force trauma.

Investigators found bloodstained clothing and a broken steak knife in a nearby dumpster. The clothing contained the victim's blood and DNA from Darnell Newett, then 50, who lived in the same building as the victim.

On July 30, 2015, a jury found Newett guilty of two counts of Aggravated Murder, and one count each of Murder, Felonious Assault, Aggravated Robbery, Aggravated Burglary, Kidnapping and Tampering With Evidence.

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

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 8/20/2015