



Media Release Cases

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Judge - Court Room</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Agency</u>
	<u>Defendants</u>		<u>Primary Charges</u>
589511-14-CR	Corrigan, Peter J. 19-C Rance, William A.	ICAC	Richmond Heights Police Department
Media Synopsis: William Rance met the 11 year old victim on a website called Tango. They began to contact each other via another social media application called KIK and made arrangements to meet up. Rance, now 31, would pick up the victim in the middle of the night, engage in sexual activity with her, and drop her back off before her parents would wake up. Rance claimed later to police that he thought the victim was 17 or 18. On March 1, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to one count of Rape and two counts of Gross Sexual Imposition. Sentencing is scheduled for 9 a.m.			
Future Court Action:		Sentencing 5/16/2016	
597751-15-CR	Russo, Joseph D. 22-D Campbell, Adam P. Zeiner, Michael	General Felony	Cleveland Division of Police
Media Synopsis: Campbell, 28, of Uniontown and Zeiner, 33, of Wadsworth, were charged with assaulting the 31-year-old male victim near the Wyndham Cleveland hotel at Playhouse Square on March 29, 2015. The victim suffered six fractured ribs and a fractured hip. Campbell, an officer with the Akron Police Department, was not on duty at the time of the incident. Last month, following a week-long trial, a jury acquitted Zeiner and convicted Campbell of misdemeanor Assault. Sentencing for Campbell is scheduled for 10 a.m.			
Future Court Action:		Sentencing 5/16/2016	

601492-15-CR Synenberg, Joan 18-A

Major Trial

Cleveland Division of Police

Townsend, Michael R., Jr. | Ladson, Shawn |
 Simmons, Roscoe C., III

Media Synopsis:

Early on the morning of July 20, 2015, the three defendants forced their way at gunpoint into an apartment on Wheelock Road that was occupied by four adults and a 3-year-old child. During the ensuing robbery, the 22-year-old victim was shot and killed. On May 6, co-defendants Townsend and Simmons entered pleas of guilty to Involuntary Manslaughter, Aggravated Burglary, Aggravated Robbery and Felonious Assault. They will sentenced at later date.

The trial of Ladson is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.

Charges:

2903.01(A): Aggravated Murder	(x1)	UF
2903.01(B): Aggravated Murder	(x1)	UF
2903.02(B): Murder	(x1)	UF
2905.01(A)(3): Kidnapping	(x5)	F1
2911.01(A)(1): Aggravated Robbery	(x2)	F1
2911.01(A)(3): Aggravated Robbery	(x1)	F1
2911.11(A)(1): Aggravated Burglary	(x1)	F1
2911.11(A)(2): Aggravated Burglary	(x1)	F1
2903.11(A)(1): Felonious Assault	(x1)	F2
2903.11(A)(2): Felonious Assault	(x3)	F2
2921.12(A)(1): Tampering With Evidence	(x1)	F3
2923.13(A)(3): Having Weapons Under Disability	(x2)	F3

Future Court Action:

Trial 5/17/2016

598018-15-CR Sutula, John D. 23-B

Major Trial

Cleveland Division of Police

Ruffin, Damontae M. | Nelson, Donte B.

Media Synopsis:

On August 1, 2015, Ruffin, 24, and Nelson, 25, both of Cleveland, sexually assaulted the victim in the vicinity of West 28th and Detroit Road in Cleveland. The victim was treated at MetroHealth Hospital.

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

Charges:

2905.01(A)(4): Kidnapping	(x1)	F1
2907.02(A)(2): Rape	(x3)	F1

Future Court Action:

Trial 5/18/2016

6046-16-CR Saffold, Shirley Strickland21-B Major Trial Cleveland Division of Police
Ladson, Marcus

Media Synopsis:

Defendant Ladson, a Heartless Felons gang Member, is charged with several shooting incidents and a homicide that occurred on Cleveland's East Side in February and March of 2015. On January 12, 2015, Marcus Ladson stole a semi-automatic firearm from a vehicle. He later used that gun in several retaliatory shootings in February and March of 2015 for the shooting death of his cousin Brandon White-Ladson. On March 15, 2015, Marcus Ladson shot and killed Curtis Avent following an argument on Aetna Avenue. On March 25, 2015, Marcus Ladson was arrested by Warrensville Heights Police Department in the possession of the stolen firearm from January. Ballistics firearm testing scientifically matched the firearm to the casings left behind at each shooting location.

Charges:

2903.02(B): Murder	(x1)	UF
2903.11(A)(1): Felonious Assault	(x4)	F2
2903.11(A)(2): Felonious Assault	(x4)	F2
2923.161(A)(1): Improperly Discharging Into Habitation	(x3)	F2
2923.42(A): Participating In A Criminal Gang	(x1)	F2
2913.02(A)(1): Grand Theft	(x1)	F3
2923.13(A)(2): Having Weapons Under Disability	(x6)	F3
2923.13(A)(3): Having Weapons Under Disability	(x6)	F3

Future Court Action:

Trial 5/18/2016

603062-16-CR Donnelly, Michael P. 19-A General Felony Cleveland Division of Police
Clark, Brandon

Media Synopsis:

On January 26, 2016, Brandon Clark stole the 67-year-old victim's bicycle from her Ohio City garage. The victim followed the defendant in her car and eventually pulled in front of him to stop his escape. Defendant Clark, 20, jumped off the bicycle and started punching the victim, pulled her from the car and knocked her to the ground. He then got into her car, locked the doors and hit the victim with the car. Brandon Clark took off in the car and crashed it at West 32nd and Franklin, then fled on foot until he was apprehended by Cleveland police. The victim was treated at MetroHealth Medical Center for multiple injuries. On April 13, Clark, 20, entered a plea of guilty to one count each of Felonious Assault, Robbery and Theft.

Sentencing is set to begin at 9 a.m.

Future Court Action:

Sentencing 5/19/2016