



## 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>
614206-17-CR	Shaughnessy, Michael P.16-C	Major Trial	Strongsville Police Department
Bene, Timothy   Heckman, Courtney			
<b>Media Synopsis:</b>			
<p>On February 3, 2017, Bene, 33, fatally stabbed his stepfather during an argument. Bene and his girlfriend, Heckman, age 23, fled the scene and went on the run. They were located and arrested on February 7, 2017, in Ashland, Ohio.</p> <p>On December 6, Bene pled to Involuntary Manslaughter, Felonious Assault, and Aggravated Robbery.</p> <p>Sentencing is scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Co-defendant Heckman is expected to enter a plea at that time.</p>			
<b>Future Court Action:</b>		Sentencing 1/18/2018	

616979-17-CR	Gallagher, Shannon M.17-A	General Felony	S.P.A.N. Drug Enforcement Task Force
Binda, Harry D., Jr.   Drenzo, Wallace William, Jr.			
<b>Media Synopsis:</b>			
<p>In March 2017, Police received information that the defendants were receiving suspicious packages from India that were delivered to a UPS store. Officers obtained search warrants and discovered over 78,000 pills of various controlled drug substances. The defendants would repackage the pills and mail them to various customers.</p>			

On December 11, Binda and Drenzo pled to Attempted Trafficking, Trafficking, Drug Possession, and Possessing Criminal Tools.

Sentencing is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m.

**Future Court Action:** Sentencing 1/18/2018

614021-17-CR Friedland, Carolyn B. 20-D

Major Trial

Cleveland Division of Police

Whitaker, Christopher

**Media Synopsis:**

On or about January 26, 2017, the defendant, 44, kidnapped and murdered 14-year-old Alianna DeFreeze while she was on her way to school. On January 30, 2017, the victim's remains were found in an abandoned home on Fuller Avenue in Cleveland.

The State of Ohio is seeking the death penalty in this case.

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

**Future Court Action:** Trial 1/19/2018

**Charges:**

2903.01(A): Aggravated Murder	(x2)	UF
2903.01(B): Aggravated Murder	(x2)	UF
2907.02(A)(2) Rape	(x1)	F1
2905.01(A)(3): Kidnapping	(x1)	F1
2905.01(A)(4): Kidnapping	(x1)	F1
2911.11(A)(1): Aggravated Burglary	(x1)	F4
2921.12(A)(1): Tampering with Evidence	(x1)	F3
2927.01(B): Gross Abuse of a Corpse	(x1)	F5