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### **Akron Man Sentenced to 10 Years in Prison for Drug Deaths**

AKRON, Ohio (Monday, September 18, 2017) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Jill Lanzinger sentenced Vernell Curry, 29, of Yale Street in Akron, to ten years in prison for the drug related deaths of two people.

On August 29, 2017, Curry pled guilty to the following charges:

- Involuntary Manslaughter – a felony of the 1<sup>st</sup> degree
- Trafficking in a Controlled Substance – a felony of the 5<sup>th</sup> degree

On June 21, 2016, Stow Police and Fire were dispatched to an apartment complex on Bridgewater Parkway. Inside officers discovered the bodies of 22-year-old Abigail Hackett and her friend, 25-year-old Sara White. It was determined both died from a fentanyl overdose. Investigators traced the drugs back to Vernell Curry.