

SUMMIT COUNTY PROSECUTOR

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Akron Man Sentenced to LIFE IN PRISON for Murder

AKRON, Ohio (Wednesday, October 30, 2019) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Alison McCarty sentenced Kennae Baker, 21, of Everton Avenue in Akron, to LIFE IN PRISON for the murder of 25-year-old Andre Pete in June of 2018. Baker will be eligible for parole after serving 19 years of his sentence.

On May 20, 2019, a Summit County jury found Baker guilty of the following charges:

- Two Counts of Murder with Firearm Specifications special felonies
- Two Counts of Felonious Assault with Firearm Specifications felonies of the 2nd degree

On June 13, 2018, Baker went to the Akron apartment of D'Andre Pete and his girlfriend, 24-year-old Jenna Smith. According to investigators, Baker tried to rob the couple and fired a shot at Pete which struck a glass coffee table next to Smith. As Smith ran out of the apartment, Baker shot Pete in the chest, killing him.

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