

## **MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH**

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### **Man convicted of robbery**

(Akron, June 18, 2010) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Lacey Wallace, 26, of Akron, was found guilty today by a jury of Aggravated Robbery (with a gun specification), a felony of the first degree, and Robbery, a felony of the third degree.

Wallace will be sentenced by visiting Judge Schneiderman on June 30, at 8:30 a.m., in Judge Stormer's Court.

On March 21, 2010 at around 10:30 p.m., the 24 year-old victim walked to his apartment mailbox on Rhodes Avenue in Akron and noticed Wallace walking toward his apartment building on the opposite side of the street. While he was getting his mail, Wallace came up behind him and told him to give him everything. As the young man turned, he saw that Wallace was pointing a gun at his stomach. He hesitated long enough to cause Wallace to tell him that if he didn't comply, he would kill him.

The victim gave Wallace the \$250.00 in his pocket and his cell phone. Wallace turned and ran back in the direction from where he came on Rhodes Avenue. As he ran, the man chased him shouting that he knew who the Defendant was.

The victim went to a nearby convenience store on Rhodes Avenue and asked to see the surveillance video for the evening in case Wallace had been in the store. The clerk allowed him to see the video and the victim saw Wallace in the video. Later in the evening he also picked Wallace out from a photo array. The Northern Ohio Fugitive Task Force arrested Wallace the next afternoon, Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, at around 3:45 pm.