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### **Akron Man Pleads Guilty to Murder; Sentenced to Life in Prison**

AKRON, Ohio (Monday, April 13, 2015) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Ramous Lewis, 17, of Manchester Road in Akron, pled guilty to several charges in connection with the shooting death of 23-year-old Paris Wicks.

Lewis shot and killed Wicks in August of 2013 outside the Lover's Lane Market in Akron during a robbery. Wicks' friend Brandon Price was shot and injured during the incident. Lewis shot Wicks after Wicks ran to help Price.

Judge Mary Margaret Rowlands immediately sentenced Lewis to Life in Prison, with parole eligibility after 30 years.

Lewis pled guilty to the following charges:

- Aggravated Murder with a firearms and gang specification – a special felony
- Felonious assault (in connection with the shooting of Brandon Price) – a felony of the second degree
- Having a firearm under disability – a felony of the third degree

The sentence breakdown is as follows:

- Life in prison – parole eligibility after 25 years
- Firearms specification – mandatory three years
- Gang specification – two years
- Felonious assault in connection with the shooting of Brandon Price – eight years
- Having a firearm under disability – one year

The firearms specification and the gang specification are to be served consecutively with the life sentence. The felonious assault and firearms under disability charges are to be served concurrently.

Three co-defendants, David Phillips, Tony Gray and Daniel Thompson, are all serving prison time for their roles in the incident.

Phillips is serving a sentence of life in prison with parole eligibility after 33 years

Gray is serving a sentence of life in prison with parole eligibility after 26 years

Thompson is currently serving a 15 year prison term after pleading guilty to involuntary manslaughter and robbery charges.