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Akron Man Sentenced to 15 Years in Prison for Attempted Murder

AKRON, Ohio (Thursday, January 18, 2018) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Tammy O'Brien sentenced Vester Morrison, 58, of Elmdale Avenue in Akron, to 15 years in prison for nearly killing his ex-girlfriend.

On December 6, 2017, Morrison pled guilty to the following charges:

- Attempted Murder with a Firearm Specification – a felony of the 1st degree
- Having a Weapon Under Disability – a felony of the 3rd degree

On July 8, 2017, Morrison showed up at the home of his ex-girlfriend, 48-year-old Kasonia Toney to pick up some of his possessions. Toney was waiting in the car as Morrison approached and opened fire, striking Toney in the neck and chest.

“Mr. Morrison has a long history of violence and will spend a significant amount of time behind bars,” said Prosecutor Walsh. “In this case, he shot Kasonia twice and left her for dead. Kasonia survived and showed a tremendous amount of strength in facing her attacker.”