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## **Summit County Prosecutor Announces Indictment in Tallmadge Murders**

Daniel Tighe could face death penalty if convicted

**AKRON, OHIO – October 8, 2013** – Summit County Prosecuting Attorney Sherri Bevan Walsh today announced that her office filed an indictment against Daniel Tighe, 39, of Breiding Avenue in Akron, for the murders of Wendy Ralston and their five-year-old son Peyton.

Tighe is charged with:

- Aggravated Murder with two specifications for death
- Murder
- Two counts of Tampering with Evidence, felonies of the third degree
- Two counts of Domestic Violence, felonies of the fourth degree
- Two counts of Gross Abuse of a Corpse, felonies of the fifth degree

If convicted of Aggravated Murder with at least one death specification, Tighe can be sentenced to death.

"October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and unfortunately, this case illustrates how a violent domestic relationship can easily turn deadly and how children, who often witness the abuse, are not immune to the same violence," said Prosecutor Walsh. "While Domestic Violence does not always escalate to murder, close to a third of all female murder victims were killed by an intimate partner."

Tighe has been in the Summit County Jail since October 3. An arraignment date is not yet set.

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The indictment is available on our website.