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### **Jury Recommends Life in Prison Without Parole for Daniel Tighe**

AKRON, Ohio (Friday, March 20, 2015) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that jurors recommend Daniel Tighe spend the rest of his life in prison with no opportunity for parole.

“What he did is unspeakable. To kill his own son, and his son’s mother, and then dump their bodies like garbage is horrific” said Prosecutor Walsh. “Tighe has never accepted responsibility nor shown any remorse for killing his young son and deserves to spend the rest of his life behind bars. I thank the jury for seeing that justice was done for the Ralston family.”

Today’s recommendation is only associated with the Aggravated Murder charge for the death of his son, Peyton. Judge Callahan will impose Tighe’s life in prison without parole sentence for this charge, as well as sentence him on the other charges on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 2 p.m.

On February 27, 2015, the same Summit County jury found Tighe guilty of:

- Aggravated Murder, with two specifications for death
- Murder, a special felony
- Domestic Violence, a felony of the fourth degree
- Tampering with Evidence, a felony of the third degree
- Abuse of a Corpse, a felony of the fifth degree

On July 23, 2013, Tighe murdered his son, 5-year-old Peyton Ralston, and Peyton's mother, 31-year-old Wendy Ralston. Tighe hid their bodies in a wooded area behind their shared residence. On August 10, 2013, Tallmadge Police were dispatched to the Stone Creek Drive home after Wendy's mother found two bundles with unknown contents inside. Tallmadge Police discovered the remains of Wendy and Peyton inside the bundles.