MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Akron Man Sentenced to Almost 12 Years for Robbery

(December 19, 2013... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that late yesterday Judge Lynne Callahan sentenced Cedric L. Witherspoon, Jr., 21, of Rudd Street in Akron, to 11 years and nine months in prison.

In early September, Witherspoon lured a male acquaintance to a house in Akron. The acquaintance had beat up Witherspoon a few months prior. When the man arrived at the house, Witherspoon pointed a gun at him and robbed him. The victim ran away, but Witherspoon chased him and shot him once in the back.

Witherspoon pleaded guilty to Aggravated Robbery, a felony of the first degree, with a firearm specification on November 13. The sentence includes 21 months in prison for community control violations on two other cases.

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