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**Brogan Rafferty Sentenced to Life in Prison for Role in "Craigslist Killings"** *Prosecution a joint effort between Summit County Prosecutor's Office, Ohio Attorney General* 

**AKRON, OHIO – November 9, 2012** – Summit County Prosecuting Attorney Sherri Bevan Walsh and Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine today announced that Judge Lynne Callahan sentenced Brogan Rafferty, 17, of Mac Drive in Stow, to life in prison without parole eligibility for the murders of Ralph Geiger, Timothy Kern and David Pauley and the attempted murder of Scott Davis.

"This was an unimaginable and truly cold-blooded crime," said Prosecutor Walsh. "Brogan Rafferty could have stopped the killing, but he chose instead to be a willing participant. And now he will spend the rest of his life in prison."

"I commend those with the Summit County Prosecutor's Office who took the lead on this case and worked aggressively with the help of special prosecutors and BCI agents from the Attorney General's Office," said Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine. "Because of their hard work, justice has been served."

A jury found Rafferty guilty on October 30 of:

- Nine counts of Aggravated Murder with firearm specifications
- One count of Attempted Murder with a firearm specification
- Four counts of Aggravated Robbery, a felony of the first degree, with firearm specifications
- Four counts of Kidnapping, a felony of the first degree
- One count of Grand Theft, a felony of the third degree
- One count of Grand Theft, a felony of the fourth degree
- Receiving Stolen Property, a felony of the fourth degree
- Three counts of Petty Theft, a misdemeanor of the first degree

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