

MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Craigslist Robber Sentenced to 16 Years in Prison

(March 29, 2013... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Judge Tom Teodosio sentenced Doylyn Clayton, Jr., 19, of Canyon Parkway in Akron, to 16 years in prison.

In June 2012, Clayton posted a bogus Craigslist ad to sell a 1985 Chevy Monte Carlo. He posted photographs of a car and requested to be contacted via text message. Clayton listed his actual email address and cell phone number as contact information. A couple from Portage County contacted Clayton by text on June 19, 2012 to see the \$4,500 vehicle he claimed he was selling.

On the evening of June 19, the couple drove to 902 West Exchange Street, where they met Clayton in the driveway of an abandoned house. The wife had \$450 cash, 10 percent of the vehicle's price. The victims were led to the back of the residence, where two masked gunman emerged. Clayton also pulled out a firearm at that time. They ordered the victims onto their knees, went through their pockets and then ordered them onto their stomachs. Clayton and the two unidentified suspects fled with \$450 in cash and a cell phone.

Detectives were able to track down Clayton through subpoenas to AT&T and Craigslist. Clayton confessed to his involvement. He refused to disclose the identities of his accomplices.

On February 22, a jury found Clayton guilty of two counts of Aggravated Robbery, first-degree felonies, both with a Firearm Specifications.