

SUMMIT COUNTY PROSECUTOR

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Akron Man Found Guilty of Murder

AKRON, Ohio (Tuesday, May 29, 2018) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that a Summit County jury found Darshawn McCormick guilty of killing 25-year-old Javanta Virden in December of 2016.

Jurors found McCormick guilty of the following charges:

- 2 Counts of Murder with Gun Specifications special felonies
- Felonious Assault with a Gun Specification a felony of the 2nd degree
- Having a Weapon Under Disability a felony of the 3rd degree

On December 26, 2016, Javanta Virden was working on a vehicle in a parking lot on Ericsson Avenue in Akron when he was approached by three people. Virden was then shot and killed. Evidence at the scene led police to McCormick.

Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Jason Wells is scheduled to sentence McCormick on Tuesday June 26, 2018 at 1pm.

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