MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Homeless Man Pleads to Murder

(September 29, 2014... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Jacob T. Umana, 38, pleaded guilty today to Murder, a special felony, with a repeat violent offender classification. Umana faces the maximum sentence of 25 years to life in prison.

Late in the evening of December 23, 2013, Akron Police were alerted by neighbors who heard a woman yelling for help. They found the body of 44-year-old Stephanie Junius in a shed near the 600 block of East Buchtel Avenue. Junius had been brutally stabbed to death with a screwdriver. Police arrested Umana after finding him in the shed on top of the victim.

Judge Christine Croce will sentence Umana on October 28 at 1:30p.m.

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