

## SHERRI BEVAN WALSH SUMMIT COUNTY PROSECUTOR

For Immediate Release: CONTACT: James Pollack Phone: (330) 604-2739

pollack@prosecutor.summitoh.net

Twitter: @ProsecutorWalsh (Tuesday, December 18, 2018)

## Akron Man Sentenced to 14 Years in Prison for Setting Fire

AKRON, Ohio (Tuesday, December 18, 2018) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Christine Croce sentenced Jauvaughn Penn, 31 of Burkhardt Avenue in Akron, to 14 years in prison for setting fire to his ex-girlfriend's home.

On Friday, November 16, 2018 a Summit County jury found Penn guilty of the following charges:

- Aggravated Arson a felony of the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree
- Burglary a felony of the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree

In February of 2018, Penn broke into his ex-girlfriend's home in Akron's Summit Lake neighborhood and set fire to it. No one was injured in the fire.

Judge Croce also designated Penn an arsonist. Under Ohio law, a person on the state's arson registry must register their address with the county sheriff once a year for life.