

MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Man found guilty by jury of Abduction, DV

(December 10, 2009, Akron) ... Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Wallace Watson, 24, of Akron, was found guilty by a jury late yesterday afternoon of two counts of Abduction, felonies of the third degree. Watson pled guilty to Domestic Violence prior to trial, a misdemeanor.

Watson will be sentenced by Judge Lynne Callahan on January 13, 2010. Watson could receive a sentence of one-to-five years in prison for each of the abduction felonies.

Watson punched the mother of his children in the face and drug her by her hair into his vehicle. He again punched her in the face once in the car and held her head down as he drove at a high rate of speed to Summit Lake. Once at the lake, he forced her to the dock and threatened to throw her in the lake knowing that she cannot swim. The victim received an eye injury and was scratched on the neck. A family member called the police and a warrant was issued. Watson turned himself in a few days later.