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20-Year-Old Pleads Guilty to Murder

Marquis Felder Sentenced to LIFE IN PRISON

AKRON, Ohio (Thursday, September 9, 2021) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Marquis Felder, 20, of Morningview Avenue in Akron, pled guilty in connection with a 2019 shooting which left one person dead, and three others injured.

Felder pled guilty to the following charges:

- Aggravated Murder with a Gun Specification – a Special Felony
- Aggravated Burglary with a Gun Specification – a Felony of the 1st Degree
- Attempted Murder with a Gun Specification – a Felony of the 1st Degree
- Two Counts of Felonious Assault with Gun Specifications – Felonies of the 2nd Degree

Immediately following Felder's guilty plea, Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Joy Oldfield sentenced Felder to LIFE IN PRISON with parole eligibility after 28 years.

In the evening of June 26, 2019, Felder and two others went to a home on Rowe Street in Akron and attempted to rob those inside. The three then started shooting. 34-year-old Brandon Varner was killed. 39-year-old Terica Poole, 24-year-old Marquis Lockett, and a 12-year-old boy were shot and injured.

Four other co-defendants are charged in connection with the shooting and are awaiting trial.