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Columbus Man Sentenced to LIFE IN PRISON for Murder of Akron Man

AKRON, Ohio (Tuesday, April 19, 2022) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Kathryn Michael sentenced Osiris Khalfani, 21, of Bentham Drive in Columbus, to LIFE IN PRISON for the murder of 37-year-old Antwaine Bethune.

Khalfani must serve 28 years of his prison sentence before he is eligible for parole.

On April 12, 2022, Judge Michael found Khalfani guilty of the following charge:

- Aggravated Murder with a Gun Specification – a Special Felony

On February 24, 2021, Khalfani snuck up on Bethune in the driveway of Bethune's Akron home and shot him nine times. During the investigation, officers discovered a vehicle key fob connected to Khalfani as well as a credit card with Khalfani's name. Police tracked Khalfani to his Columbus home. Investigators believe Khalfani was paid \$10,000 to kill Bethune.