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## Two Men Sentenced to Prison in Connection with Deadly Shooting

AKRON, Ohio (Monday, July 18, 2022) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Joy Malek Oldfield sentenced two men, Jimmy Foster, 28, of Clearview Drive in Akron, and Martino Livingston, 35, of Hardesty Boulevard in Akron, to prison for a 2019 shooting which left one person dead and three others injured.

Judge Oldfield sentenced Jimmy Foster to seven to ten years in prison. Prosecutors requested a maximum sentence of 14 to 19.5 years in prison.

On February 16, 2022 Foster pled guilty to the following charges:

- Aggravated Burglary with a Gun Specification – a Felony of the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree
- Obstructing Justice – a Felony of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree

Judge Oldfield sentenced Martino Livingston to five to 7.5 years in prison. Prosecutors requested a maximum sentence of 10 to 15.5 years in prison.

On March 15, 2022 Livingston pled guilty to the following charges:

- Complicity to Robbery – a Felony of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree
- Obstructing Justice – a Felony of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree

On June 26, 2019, at around 5:30pm, Marquis Felder, Lavontae Poole, Zaveon Carter, Jimmy Foster, and Martino Livingston went to a home on Rowe Street in Akron with the intent to rob the occupants and steal marijuana. As Foster and Livingston waited outside, Poole, Felder, and Carter entered the home and began shooting. 34-year-old Brandon Varner was shot eight times and died. 39-year-old Terica Poole (no relation to Lavontae) was shot in the leg and survived. 24-year-old Marquis Locket was shot eight times and survived. A 12-year-old boy was also shot and survived.

Poole, Felder, and Carter are all currently serving LIFE SENTENCES for their roles in the deadly shooting.