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Akron Man Sentenced to LIFE IN PRISON for Murder

AKRON, Ohio (Monday, May 13, 2024) – Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Susan Baker Ross sentenced Thomas Ellis, 21, of Beardsley Street in Akron, to LIFE IN PRISON for the September 2023 murder of 33-year-old Dominic Gray. Ellis will be eligible for parole after serving 21 years of his sentence.

“This was a difficult case and I’m pleased justice was served and Thomas Ellis will spend a significant amount of time in prison. Thank you to the prosecutors who fought for the victim and their family,” said Prosecutor Kolkovich.

On May 7, 2024, a Summit County jury found Ellis guilty of the following charges:

- Two Counts of Murder with Firearm Specifications – Special Felonies
- Felonious Assault with a Firearm Specification – a Felony of the 2nd Degree

On September 8, 2023, Thomas Ellis shot Dominic Gray four times outside the Beardsley Street apartment building where Ellis lived. Prior to the shooting Gray and his girlfriend had been in an argument, but the two walked away from each other prior to Ellis approaching Gray and shooting him.