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Akron Man Sentenced to LIFE IN PRISON

Found Guilty of 2022 Murder

AKRON, Ohio (Wednesday, November 6, 2024) – Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Christine Croce sentenced Quinton Nixon, 33, of Everton Drive in Akron, to LIFE IN PRISON for killing 34-year-old Toni Westover in July of 2022.

Nixon will be eligible for parole after serving 21 years of his sentence.

Prior to sentencing and following a bench trial, Judge Croce found Nixon guilty of the charges:

- Two Counts of Murder with Gun Specifications – Unclassified Felonies
- Felonious Assault with a Gun Specification – a Felony of the 2nd Degree
- Tampering With Evidence – a Felony of the 3rd Degree

Because Nixon was found guilty of a violent crime, Judge Croce placed Nixon on Ohio’s Violent Crime Registry. If Nixon is released from prison, he must register with the local sheriff every year for ten years.

“Quinton Nixon shot and killed Toni Westover. He deserves to spend the rest of his life in prison. Thank you to the Akron Police Department and my assistant prosecutors for their hard work in getting justice for Toni,” said Prosecutor Kolkovich.

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On July 25, 2022, Nixon shot Toni Westover at a home on Maryland Avenue in Akron's Kenmore neighborhood. Akron Police arrested Nixon about a month later. Evidence from the scene connected Nixon to the crime.

Following the bench trial, Judge Croce also found Nixon guilty of improperly handling of a firearm in a motor vehicle, a felony of the fourth degree, from a separate incident.

In June 2022, Akron Police responded to Kenmore Boulevard just west of Manchester Road for a report of shots fired. Officers arrested Nixon for firing a gun from his vehicle.

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