



# Elliot Kolkovich

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## Summit County Prosecutor

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## **PROSECUTOR KOLKOVICH ANNOUNCES GUILTY PLEA IN DRIVE THRU MURDER CASE**

AKRON, OH – Today, Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced that Tyler Bartley, 17, pleaded guilty to the murder of Patrick Boergert, 47, at Borders Drive Thru in 2024. Bartley pleaded guilty to Murder with a 1-year firearm specification, an Unclassified Felony.

**“No grievance should ever escalate to this level of violence,”** said Prosecutor Kolkovich, **“Our thoughts remain with Patrick Boergert’s family and loved ones as they grieve this unimaginable loss. I also want to recognize the efforts of the first responders who did everything they could to save Boergert’s life.”**

In February 2024, Patrick Boergert was a passenger in his friend’s car when they arrived at Borders Drive Thru, where Tyler Bartley was working as a clerk. Upon seeing Boergert, Bartley reached through the back window of the vehicle and shot Boergert. The friend quickly drove away and called 911. When police and EMS arrived they performed emergency medical procedures and transported him to the hospital, where he passed away. Store surveillance footage captured Bartley firing the weapon into the vehicle, and witness testimony further corroborated his involvement in the crime.

Bartley is scheduled to be sentenced by Summit County Court of Common Pleas Judge Kelly L. McLaughlin on June 4, 2025 at 1 p.m.

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