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PROSECUTOR KOLKOVICH ANNOUNCES 14 TO 19.5 YEARS IN PRISON FOR ASSAULT ON POLICE OFFICER

AKRON, OH – Today, Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced that on Jermaine Turner, 38, of Akron, was sentenced last Friday to 14 to 19.5 years for two investigations from 2025 and 2026.

In September, a Summit County Jury found Turner guilty of the following charges for the 2025 incident:

- One count of Tampering with Evidence – a 3rd Degree Felony;
- One count of Misdemeanor Theft – a 1st Degree Misdemeanor; and
- One count of Obstructing Official Business – a 2nd Degree Misdemeanor.

For the 2026 incident, Turner was found guilty of one count of Felonious Assault, a 1st Degree Felony.

“I want to thank the Akron Police Officers who responded to these calls and especially recognize the officer who was injured. These officers put themselves in harm’s way to protect others, and I commend them for their bravery and dedication to serving our community,” said Prosecutor Kolkovich.

In November 2025, at the Walmart located on Hudson Drive, Jermaine Turner stole an employee’s phone while it was charging. The officer investigating the scene watched video surveillance and observed Turner stealing the phone and exiting Walmart southbound towards Taco Bell, where Turner was located walking down the street nearby. When the officer asked to speak with Turner, he ran, resulting in a foot chase. He was eventually subdued and taken into custody. During the chase, Turner threw the stolen phone in a trash can, where it was recovered and returned to the employee.

In January 2026, an officer working at the Metro Transit Center on South Broadway Street in Akron was flagged down by a woman who explained a man, identified as Jermaine Turner, had threatened her with a knife while they were waiting for the bus. Turner fled the scene when the officer approached him and informed him that he had a knife in his possession. While attempting to subdue him, the officer was punched multiple times in the face by Turner. Turner also attempted to take the officer’s weapon and swung the knife at the officer multiple times during this pursuit. Eventually, Turner was cornered and arrested.

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