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Dayton Man Sentenced in Brittany Russell Homicide

State v. Curtis Burdette, 2016-CR-0745

DAYTON, OH (02/21/2018) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **CURTIS HOWARD BURDETTE**, 39, of Dayton, was sentenced to the maximum sentence, a total of 25 years in prison, for his actions in the shooting death of Brittany Russell.

On Wednesday, February 10, 2016 the body of the victim, 29-year-old Brittany Russell, of Middletown, was found inside her car in an apartment parking lot in Dayton. She had been fatally shot. Her 6-month-old daughter, who was alive, was also inside the vehicle.

On March 6, 2017, the defendant was found guilty on counts of involuntary manslaughter, kidnapping, and tampering with evidence.

Today, the defendant was sentenced to 11 years in prison on the involuntary manslaughter count, plus 11 years on the kidnapping count, plus 36 months on the tampering with evidence count. All counts were ordered to be served consecutively, for a total of 25 years in prison.

A co-defendant, Brandon Carr, was found guilty as charged on February 6, 2018 after a weeklong jury trial on counts including aggravated murder, murder, kidnapping, felonious assault, tampering with evidence, endangering children, possession of heroin, and having weapons while under disability. He will be sentenced on March 9, 2018.

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