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Dayton Man Sentenced to Prison for June 2021 Murder

State v. Donnie Tunstall, 2021-CR-2112

DAYTON, OH (10/17/2023) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **DONNIE DONELLE TUNSTALL**, 47, of Dayton, has been sentenced to 26 years to life in prison after being convicted for the shooting death of Daniel E. Burch on June 22, 2021.

On the evening of Tuesday, June 22, 2021, Dayton Police officers were flagged down to report a shooting near the BP gas station at 500 Salem Avenue. Multiple witnesses gave the officers a description of the suspect, who was located in an alley in the 200 block of Lexington Avenue with the murder weapon.

A shooting victim was located in the area of 22 Lexington Avenue. The victim, later identified as Daniel Burch, was transported to Miami Valley Hospital. The victim died from his injuries about two hours later.

On July 2, 2021, the Montgomery County Grand Jury indicted the defendant for Murder, Felonious Assault, Carrying Concealed Weapons, Obstructing Official Business, and Having Weapons While Under Disability. All of the counts, except for Carrying Concealed Weapons and Obstructing Official Business, included 3-year firearm specifications.

On September 11, 2023, after a trial, a jury found the defendant guilty.

Today, the defendant was sentenced to a total of 26 years to life in prison.

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