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## **Man Sentenced to Life in Prison for Murder**

*State v. Kendall Beasley, 2021-CR-1465*

**DAYTON, OH (02/23/2022)** – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **KENDALL DEMETRIUS BEASLEY**, 28, of Dayton, was sentenced to life in prison after being convicted of the aggravated murder of 31-year-old Shanika Bogan, of Dayton, whose body was discovered on April 29, 2021.

On Thursday, April 29, 2021, after being unable to reach the victim, relatives of the victim went to her apartment and found her deceased body inside. An autopsy determined the victim had been strangled to death. Witnesses, including the victim's children, identified the defendant as the last person seen with the victim. The pair had reportedly been dating since the defendant was released from prison approximately three weeks before the homicide.

The defendant was believed to have fled the state but was located at a relative's home in Dayton.

On May 17, 2021 the Montgomery County Grand Jury indicted the defendant.

On January 27, 2022 the defendant entered a plea of guilty as charged to one count of Aggravated Murder with a Repeat Violent Offender (RVO) Specification.

Today, the defendant was sentenced to 20 years-to-life in prison for the aggravated murder count, plus an additional 5 years for the RVO specification, meaning he will not be eligible for consideration until he has served at least 25 years.

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