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Estranged Husband Indicted for Attempted Murder

State v. James Lane, 2016-CR-0874

DAYTON, OH (03/25/2016) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that 30 year old **James M. Lane**, of Riverside, has been indicted for charges relating to the stalking and plot to murder his estranged wife and their two children.

On March 16, 2016 the victim notified the Riverside Police Department that her estranged husband, whom she had filed a protection order against, was stalking her. Police located the defendant, and found items inside his vehicle, such as duct tape, latex gloves, zip ties, a lock picking kit and a black powder firearm, among other items, demonstrating that the defendant intended to kidnap and kill not only his estranged wife, but also their two children.

Today, the defendant was indicted on:

- Three counts of Attempted Murder
- Three counts of Attempted Kidnapping
- One count of Violation of a Protection Order
- One count of Violation of a Protection Order While Committing a Felony
- One count of Menacing by Stalking (History of Violence)
- One count of Possession of Criminal Tools

Prosecutor Heck continued, “Thankfully, this intended victim was alert and aware of her surroundings, and promptly notified the police. Everyone, especially the police, needs to take domestic violence very seriously, such as in this instance. This was a situation that would have quickly turned deadly.”

The defendant is currently in custody, being held on a \$750,000 bond. He is scheduled to be arraigned on March 29, 2016 at 8:30 am.

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