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## **Woman Sentenced for Gross Abuse of Grandmother's Corpse**

*State v. Stacie Lauhon-Wheeler, 2019-CR-3390*

**DAYTON, OH (05/15/2020)** – Montgomery County Prosecutor Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **STACIE D. LAUHON-WHEELER**, 46, of Huntington, West Virginia, was sentenced to 21 months in prison after being convicted of gross abuse of a corpse and grand theft.

The Dayton Police Department received information that a deceased body was being stored in a freezer in a basement in a home on Virginia Avenue. The investigation revealed that the remains of the defendant's grandmother was being stored in a plastic tub in the basement of the home. The defendant had briefly lived in the home before moving to West Virginia, and had left the tub behind. Additionally, the defendant had cashed several of the deceased woman's social security checks, both in Ohio and in West Virginia.

On July 26, 2018, the Montgomery County Grand Jury indicted the defendant. Today, the defendant was found guilty of one count of Gross Abuse of Corpse and one count of Grand Theft.

The defendant was sentenced to a total of 21 months in prison. The defendant was also ordered to pay restitution of \$27,000 to the Social Security Administration.

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