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## **Dayton Man Convicted and Sentenced in Homicide**

*State v. Dominique Mays, 2015-CR-1101*

**DAYTON, OH (06/15/2016)** – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. and Sheriff Phil Plummer announced today that **Dominique C. Mays**, 24, of Dayton, has been convicted and sentenced to 20 years in prison for causing the death of his wife, Amber Owens.

On December 4, 2014, road crews found the deceased body of 23-year-old Amber Owens in a ditch along Post Town Road in Trotwood. She had been missing since October 21, 2014 when she failed to show up for work. Officers located her car on Arlene Avenue in Dayton on November 3, 2014.

Today, the defendant was found guilty and sentenced on:

- Two counts Involuntary Manslaughter
- One count Felonious Assault
- One count Abduction
- Two counts Tampering With Evidence
- One count Gross Abuse of a Corpse
- One count Domestic Violence

The defendant was sentenced to a total of 20 years in the penitentiary.

Prosecutor Heck continued, “I want to commend the Sheriff’s Office for all the hard work they put into this case. Hopefully, the family of the victim can now have some sense of closure, with the perpetrator in prison.”

Sheriff Plummer added, “The Sheriff’s Office is pleased with the sentencing of Dominique Mays. This was a cold, calculated murder where he left three young children growing up without their mother. I would like to thank both the Sheriff’s detectives as well as the Montgomery County Prosecutor’s Office for their hard work on this senseless murder.”

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