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Dayton Man Indicted for Girlfriend's Murder
Further Investigation and Scientific Testing Completed
State v. Tabaree Thompson Shabazz , 2014-CR-3732

DAYTON, OH (2/6/2015) – Prosecutor Mat Heck, Jr. announced that 41-year-old **Tabaree Thompson Shabazz**, of Dayton, has been indicted for the beating death of his girlfriend, Shelia Gibson.

On July 13, 2014, Dayton Police officers discovered the body of the 45-year-old victim inside her E. Fourth Street residence. The victim was last seen alive by neighbors on July 11, 2014. Neighbors had contacted the police after they became concerned about not seeing the victim for a number of days.

An autopsy determined the victim had been killed from blunt force trauma. Police arrested the defendant the same day the victim's body was discovered but he was later released from custody pending further investigation.

In November, the Grand Jury was presented with the evidence available at that time, and declined to indict. The criminal investigation, including scientific analysis, continued and yielded additional evidence. That new evidence has now been presented to the Grand Jury.

Today, the defendant has been indicted on:

- Two counts Murder
- One count Felonious Assault

A warrant for the defendant's arrest has been issued. He is scheduled to be arraigned on February 19, 2015 at 8:30 am.

Prosecutor Heck continued, "I want to commend the Dayton Police Department officers for continuing their investigation which resulted in obtaining the evidence necessary for this indictment."

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