

# The Prosecutor's Report



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The Prosecutor's Report is the monthly newsletter to the community from the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office.

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## Sentencings

In September, 2017, we disposed of 248 cases. The Judges sentenced the defendants in those cases as follows:

- 52% received Community Control Sanctions (probation)
- 25% were sentenced to the penitentiary
- 15% were granted Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (ILC)
- 8% received local time or local time plus probation

Some notable sentences:

- 9/8/2017 Harold Shroust was sentenced to 10 years in prison for the robbery of LoanMax Title Loans on S. Patterson Road in Dayton. The defendant held the employee at knife point and took the cash from the register, and threatened to kill the employee if she called the police.
- 9/28/2017 Iesha Chae Heard was sentenced to 3 years in prison for her convictions on Complicity to Commit Unlawful Sexual Conduct with a Minor, Compelling Prostitution, and Pandering Obscenity Involving a Minor. The defendant, and a co-defendant, Jermar White, were prosecuted for forcing two 15-year-old victims to perform sex acts as well as pose for explicit photos. Heard was designated a Tier II Sex Offender, which will require that she register her address with authorities every 180 days for the next 25 years.

## SEPTEMBER STAFF ADDITIONS

**Mr. Dylan Weaver**

On September 19, 2017, Mr. Dylan Weaver joined the staff of the prosecutor's office as a Legal Secretary assigned to the Case Management Section.

Dylan received his Associate's degree from Sinclair Community College in 2012.

Before joining our office, Dylan served as a Paralegal Team Coordinator at a local law firm.

Dylan resides in Centerville.



## NOTEWORTHY NEWS

### **Ann K. Gramza Promoted to Supervising Attorney**

On September 8, 2017, Assistant Prosecutor Ann Gramza was promoted to the position of Supervising Attorney of the Intake/Grand Jury Section of the office. As Supervising Attorney, Ann will supervise the Assistant Prosecutors presenting criminal cases to the Montgomery County Grand Jury as well as the Assistant Prosecutors handling Preliminary Hearings in Municipal Court. She will also be the primary Assistant Prosecuting Attorney responsible for reviewing cases presented by law enforcement for felony criminal charges.

Ann received her law degree from The Ohio State University College of Law in 2000. In 1997, she received her undergraduate degree from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, majoring in Diplomacy and Foreign Affairs, with a minor in Economics.

Ann was an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in Shelby County, Ohio from August 2002 to April 2005. She joined our office in April 2005 as an Assistant Montgomery County Prosecuting Attorney. In January 2011, she was promoted to the Supervising Attorney of the Child Protection Unit. In March 2013, Ann left our office to serve as the CASA Program Manager at the Montgomery County Juvenile Court. In September 2016, Ann returned to our office as a Criminal Docket Attorney.

### **11 Defendants Indicted for Criminal Activity at Harrison Township Sexually Oriented Business; Motion Filed to Close Establishment**

*State v. John & Jane Doe, 2017-CR-2991*

*State v. Catering Gold, LLC, et al., 2017-CV-4526*

On September 29, 2017, 11 defendants were indicted for criminal activity occurring at The Harem, located at 5825 North Dixie Drive, in Harrison Township. In addition, a Nuisance Abatement Complaint and Motion for Temporary Injunction was filed by our office seeking to have The Harem closed as a public nuisance.

Between January 2017 and September 2017, an extensive investigation was conducted by the Ohio Investigative Unit into illegal activity occurring at The

Harem, including prostitution, drug trafficking, and illegal use of food stamps. Undercover agents witnessed multiple liquor violations, prostitution, and felony drug trafficking, including Marijuana, Methamphetamines, Heroin, Cocaine, Fentanyl, Carfentanil, and Oxycodone.

A search warrant was served at the business on September 29, 2017 and five of the 11 defendants were arrested.

In addition to the indictment, a Nuisance Abatement complaint and a Motion for a Temporary Injunction were filed by our office in Common Pleas Court. We successfully petitioned the court to issue a restraining order, closing the business until a hearing can be held on the complaint and motion for an injunction. A hearing was scheduled for mid-October, seeking two judgements - a permanent injunction barring illegal activity taking place at the business, and a temporary injunction closing the business for the statutory maximum of one year. During the hearing, evidence will be presented that the owners of The Harem had knowledge of and/or acquiesced to the illegal activity taking place there and took no action to stop the continued crimes.

Prosecutor Heck said, "The residents of Harrison Township deserve to live in a community free from illegal drug activity and prostitution. We have previously closed numerous nuisance properties in Harrison Township. I understand the concern and frustration that the residents have with the continued operation of these businesses and the negative affect they have on the community. I want to assure everyone that we are working to clean up this area."

## **Prosecutor Heck Addresses the 106th Dayton Police Department Academy Class Graduation**

On September 1, 2017, Prosecutor Heck was honored to address the Dayton Police Department's 106th Academy Class graduates. Mr. Heck congratulated the graduates, and reminded them of the personal satisfaction they can receive in service the public.

"Being a police officer is a lot of things," Heck commented. "If you do it right, it will reward you in ways beyond your expectations. You will feel it when you respond to a domestic violence call, a robbery, or home break-in, and see the look of relief on the face of the victim that you are there for them. You will feel it every time you put on your uniform and go to work for the citizens of our community. You will feel it when a person realizes that, despite what they might have expected, you treated them fairly and with dignity and respect."

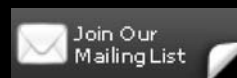


Heck added, "It takes a special person to do what you're about to do, and I respect and thank you for it."

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