



# *The Prosecutor*

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## **2014—A Year In Review**

During 2014, the number of felony criminal cases we reviewed from area law enforcement agencies increased for the third year in a row. There was an increase of 7.5% over 2013. In fact, the number of cases we reviewed in 2014 was the highest since 2009.

A continuing area of concern is the number of cases we see involving heroin. Heroin possession and trafficking cases continued to rise, up 19.5% over 2013, and last year stood at a shocking 84% increase in five years. Sadly, heroin overdose deaths, and the crimes associated with heroin addiction, are a national problem. We will continue to work with law enforcement agencies to combat this growing problem.

Some other highlights from 2014:

- Robbery and Burglary cases continue to decline. 2014 saw about a 15% drop over the past five years.
- Felony Assaults continue to decline. 2014 saw about a 30% drop over the past five years.
- Carrying Concealed Weapons (CCW) charges also continue to drop, with 56% fewer cases last year than just a decade ago.
- Homicide cases dropped by six from last year.

However:

- Felony Domestic Violence cases continue to increase, with 16% more in 2014 versus 2013. In fact, there were more felony DV cases approved for charges by our office last year than in any of the past 10 years.
- Cases of felony drug possession increased 25% over last year; over 50% increase from 2012. (However, 2012 saw the fewest cases since 2000.)

As you can see, progress is being made in many areas, but a lot of work remains to be done. My office and our partner law enforcement departments will continue to work together to make our communities safer.

## **ArriveSafe Update**

Since December 2007, when Prosecutor Heck first announced the ArriveSafe program, we have provided over 4,400 free cab rides. The program is paid from donations from AAA Miami Valley and Heidelberg Distributing and from funds seized from convicted drug dealers—no taxpayer dollars are spent!

Watch for ArriveSafe announcements over the upcoming St. Patrick's Day holiday.

## 2014—A Year In Review

Below are the outcomes of some of the most significant, important, or tragic cases prosecuted to conviction by our office this past year:

January 17, 2014—**Thomas Zimpfer**, 44, convicted of four counts of rape and three counts of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, was sentenced to 33 years in prison. The defendant, a 3rd and 4th grade girls' softball coach from 2008 to 2012, committed the sex acts at his Jackson Township home. The victim would often babysit for the Zimpfers. The defendant is incarcerated at Chillicothe Correctional, with an expected release date of September 19, 2046. (Case# 2012-CR-3315)

January 21, 2014—**Joshua Michael Redavide**, 24, convicted of involuntary manslaughter, was sentenced to 9 years in prison. The victim, Archie Bowling, died as a result of being kicked and stomped after he was knocked to the ground in a fight on August 31, 2012 on Linden Avenue in Dayton. The victim died on September 2, 2012. The defendant is incarcerated at Lebanon Correctional, with an expected release date of November 26, 2022. (Case# 2012-CR-3731)

February 19, 2014—**Samuel White**, 27, convicted of murder and felonious assault, was sentenced to 18 years to life in prison. The defendant fatally shot Bryan Coatney on April 21, 2012 at the victim's home on Parkwood Drive in Dayton. The altercation stemmed from the fact the defendant was the new boyfriend of the victim's ex-girlfriend. The defendant is incarcerated at Ross Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until September, 2030. (Case# 2012-CR-1322)

February 20, 2014—**Joshua C. Fisher**, 29, convicted of three counts of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, was sentenced to five years probation, ordered to serve six months in jail and was designated a Tier II sex offender. The defendant was a junior varsity volleyball coach at Lakota East High School and had an inappropriate sexual relationship with a 14 year old Centerville High School volleyball player he met through a travelling league he coached. (Case# 2013-CR-3301)

February 25, 2014—**Shawn D. Wood**, 32, convicted of aggravated murder, aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary, felonious assault and grand theft of a motor vehicle, was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole, plus an additional, consecutive 23 years in prison. The defendant fatally shot Cory Turner, whose body was discovered in his apartment on December 16, 2011. The victim was a longtime choir director at an area church. The defendant is incarcerated at Lebanon Correctional. (Case# 2013-CR-178)

March 3, 2014—**Blake Cole**, 20, convicted of one count of rape of a victim under the age of 10, was sentenced to 15 years to life in prison. The defendant was found by a security guard in the men's restroom at Ft. McKinley United Methodist Church with the 5 year old victim on April 9, 2013. The defendant is incarcerated at the Corrections Reception Center, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until February, 2028. (Case# 2013-CR-1120)

March 6, 2014—**Tarrell D. Postell**, 26, convicted of involuntary manslaughter and felonious assault, was sentenced to 15 years in prison. After an argument, the defendant fatally shot Jason Rutledge on February 20, 2013 inside a duplex on Ravenwood Avenue in Dayton. The defendant is incarcerated at Ross Correctional, with an expected release date of February 17, 2028. (Case# 2013-CR-593)

March 12, 2014—**Justin Cohen**, 31, convicted of nine counts of pandering sexually oriented material, was sentenced to two years in prison. On May 15, 2013, the defendant sent child pornography to an undercover Troy Detective. The defendant was a substitute teacher and tutor at various area schools and offered free tutoring for disadvantaged youth. The defendant is incarcerated at Belmont Correctional, with an expected release date of March 10, 2016. (Case# 2013-CR-3962)

March 12, 2014—The Supreme Court of Ohio announced it's refusal to hear the appeal of defendant **Raleigh Trammell**. Trammell filed an appeal of the Second District Court of Appeals' decision affirming his conviction and sentence of 18 months in prison. On August 29, 2012, the defendant was sentenced to prison and ordered to pay \$38,000 in restitution as a result of guilty verdicts on 51 felony counts of defrauding the poor and elderly. (Case# 2010-CR-3364)

March 20, 2014—**Mitchell Gray, Jr.**, 22, convicted of murder, aggravated burglary and aggravated robbery, was sentenced to 27 years to life in prison for the shooting death of Robert Munday, II on May 21, 2012. In two additional, unrelated cases, the defendant was also convicted of three counts aggravated robbery and one count of carrying concealed weapons, and was sentenced to nine years in prison to be served consecutively. The defendant is incarcerated at Lebanon Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until March, 2048. (Case# 2012-CR-1589 & 2011-CR-3687)

March 27, 2014—**McKenna Jordan**, 38, convicted of rape and three counts of sexual battery, was sentenced to 7 years in prison. The defendant, a former soccer club coach in Huber Heights, had a sexual relationship with a girl, starting when she was 13 years of age. The defendant is incarcerated at Chillicothe Correctional, with an expected release date of February 28, 2021. (Case# 2012-CR-2285)

March 31, 2014—**Michael Cartwright III**, 19, convicted of two counts of felonious assault and two counts of aggravated robbery, was sentenced to 21 years in prison. On June 26, 2013, the defendant shot and robbed the manager of the Danberry Dollar Saver Theater in Huber Heights. The defendant is incarcerated at Lebanon Correctional, with an expected release date of June 27, 2034. (Case# 2013-CR-1937)

April 9, 2014—**Marcus L. Fox**, 38, convicted of three counts of rape of an impaired victim, was sentenced to 10 years in prison. The defendant was a home health care aide and raped an 82 year old victim with severe dementia and Alzheimer's. The defendant is incarcerated at Chillicothe Correctional, with an expected release date of October 29, 2023. (Case# 2013-CR-3378)

April 15, 2014—**Dorian M. Frazier**, 23, convicted of aggravated vehicular homicide and failure to stop after an accident, was sentenced to 4 years and nine months in prison. The defendant was estimated to be driving 64 mph in a 35 mph zone when he ran a red light and struck a motorcyclist, killing him. The defendant is incarcerated at London Correctional, with an expected release date of August 27, 2018. (Case# 2013-CR-3213)

May 2, 2014—**Anthony Donald Brown**, 18, convicted of murder, kidnapping, aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary, felonious assault and having weapons under disability, was sentenced to 25 years to life in prison. The defendant fatally shot Allen Lindeman during a home invasion on Leo Street in Dayton on October 26, 2013. The defendant is incarcerated at Ross Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until September, 2038. (Case# 2013-CR-3383)

May 13, 2014—**Paul E. Cokes, Jr.**, 24, convicted of rape of a child under the age of 10, was sentenced to life in prison. The defendant raped the 7 year old daughter of a friend on June 11, 013. The defendant is incarcerated at Warren Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until June, 2028. (Case# 2013-CR-2283)

June 17, 2014—**Jarod Jones**, 29, convicted of two counts of rape of a child under 10 years of age, one count of rape of a child under 13 years of age, and two counts of gross sexual imposition of a child under 13 years of age, was sentenced to 45 years to life in prison. The defendant sexually assaulted the child on multiple occasions. The victim disclosed the abuse at school when she was 11 years old. The defendant is incarcerated at Chillicothe Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until April, 2058. (Case# 2013-CR-1240)

June 27, 2014—**Michael Bohannon**, 60, convicted of eight counts of rape, five counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material, one count of pandering sexually-oriented material involving a minor, six counts of gross sexual imposition of a child under 13, two counts of importuning of a child under 13, one count of complicity to commit tampering with evidence, and one count of possession of criminal tools, was sentenced to 33 years and nine months in prison. The defendant had inappropriate sexual contact with five girls starting when they were between the ages of six and eight years old. The defendant is incarcerated at Belmont Correctional, with an expected release date of June 4, 2047. (Case# 2013-CR-2922)

July 1, 2014—**Rachael Schidecker**, 20, convicted of aggravated vehicular homicide, aggravated vehicular assault, vehicular assault, and two counts of OVI, was sentenced to 3 years in prison. The defendant drove north on I-75 in the southbound lanes for nearly four miles before crashing head-on into the victim's vehicle, injuring the driver and killing the passenger, Chereece Rule, of Kansas City, Missouri, on August 11, 2012. The defendant had a BAC of .236, more than 10 times the legal limit of .020 for a person under the age of 21. The defendant is incarcerated at Dayton Correctional, with an expected release date of June 28, 2017. (Case# 2012-CR-3489)

July 15, 2014—**Robert L. Jones, Jr.**, 18, convicted of aggravated murder, two counts of aggravated robbery, intimidation of a crime victim and attempted breaking and entering, was sentenced to 36 years to life in prison. The defendant fatally shot 75-year-old Take Gangloff on Norwood Avenue on September 13, 2013, and attempted to break into the Ohio Loan Company on West Third Street; and on September 28, 2013, committed an armed robbery of a Shell station on West Third Street. The defendant is incarcerated at Ross Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until August, 2049. (Case# 2013-CR-3596)

July 23, 2014—**Dionte English**, 25, convicted of felonious assault and aggravated robbery, was sentenced to 8 years in prison. The defendant repeatedly punched and kicked the 52-year-old victim in the parking lot of Walmart in Butler Township on April 7, 2014, while trying to steal the victim's purse. The defendant is incarcerated at Ross Correctional, with an expected release date of April 5, 2022. (Case# 2014-CR-1291)

July 28, 2014—**Ta'Quonta Sanders**, 19, convicted of felonious assault, kidnapping, and two counts of aggravated robbery, was sentenced to seven years in prison. On May 25, 2013, the defendant robbed a pizza delivery driver at gunpoint on Marathon Avenue in Dayton, and in an unrelated case, on December 17, 2013 the defendant took a car, with two children inside, that was left running at a BP station on Salem Avenue. The defendant is incarcerated at Lebanon Correctional, with an expected release date of December 15, 2020. (Case# 2013-CR-1603 & 2013-CR-3920)

August 12, 2014—**Karl D. Coleman**, 26, convicted of murder, felonious assault, rape, attempted rape and tampering with evidence, was sentenced to 36 years to life in prison. The defendant raped and killed his estranged girlfriend, Demisha Mattison, on May 6, 2011 at her home on Clover Street in Dayton. The defendant is incarcerated at Warren Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until February, 2050. (Case# 2013-CR-1407)

August 13, 2014—**Lynntonio Watson**, 27, convicted of murder, having weapons while under disability and six counts of felonious assault, was sentenced to 37 years to life in prison. The defendant shot three victims, killing Martell Gray on September 7, 2013 on Germantown Pike in Dayton. The defendant is incarcerated at Warren Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until September, 2050. (Case# 2013-CR-2983)

August 20, 2014—**Denise J. Daugherty**, 31, convicted of involuntary manslaughter, was sentenced to eight years in prison. The defendant fatally stabbed her live-in boyfriend, John A. Thomas, with a kitchen knife inside their Briarwood Avenue apartment on March 24, 2014. The defendant is incarcerated at Dayton Correctional, with an expected release date of March 22, 2022. (Case# 2014-CR-1109)

September 3, 2014—**Ryan M. Hayes**, 33, convicted of aggravated vehicular manslaughter and two counts of OVI, was sentenced to seven-and-a-half years in prison. The defendant, had a blood-alcohol concentration of .171, more than twice the legal limit of .08, when he drove around construction barricades on Hoover Avenue in Dayton and struck a piece of construction equipment, killing his girlfriend, Qadriyyah Harvey, on September 17, 2011. The defendant is currently incarcerated at Noble Correctional, with an expected release date of July 21, 2020. (Case# 2012-CR-2182)

September 5, 2014—**Jerimy Rowland**, 37, convicted of aggravated vehicular homicide and child endangering, was sentenced to three years in prison. The defendant was driving at least twice the posted speed limit when he ran a stop sign at the intersection of Geneva Road and Sylvan Drive in Dayton, crashing into another vehicle. His unbuckled passenger, 8 year old La'Kell Newland, the son of the defendant's girlfriend, was partially ejected from the vehicle and crushed, killing him instantly. The defendant is incarcerated at Noble Correctional, with an expected release date of April 19, 2017. (Case# 2014-CR-495)

September 9, 2014—**Deontae Howard**, 17, transferred as an adult and convicted of two counts of robbery, was sentenced to four years in prison. In a "knockout game" of robbery, the defendant hit and punched the victim in the back of his head on March 7, 2014 on East Fifth Street in Dayton. The victim was robbed of \$3.00. Then, on April 1, 2014, on East Third Street, in a similar attack, the defendant robbed another victim of \$7.00. The defendant is currently incarcerated at Corrections Reception Center, with an expected release date of May 26, 2018. (Case# 2014-CR-2123)

September 10, 2014—**Michelle Gavin**, 46, convicted of theft over \$150,000 from an elderly or disabled person, grand theft over \$7,500, 16 counts of tampering with records and 18 counts of violation of pre-needs contracts, was sentenced to four years in prison. The defendant owned, operated and managed the Magetti-Gavin Funeral Home on Valley Street in Dayton and sold pre-needs funeral contracts. She failed to place the money in a trust or life insurance policy as required by law, stealing over \$200,000. The defendant is currently incarcerated at the Ohio Reformatory for Women, with an expected release date of September 8, 2018. (Case# 2013-CR-2585)

September 23, 2014—**James Plemons**, 45, convicted in four cases of illegal manufacture of drugs, three counts of illegal assembly/possession of chemicals for the manufacture of drugs, possession of heroin, two counts of breaking and entering, and attempt to commit tampering with evidence, was sentenced to nine years in prison. The defendant created and ran meth labs multiple times: June 2, 2013 in Riverside, near Wright Patterson Air Force Base; September 9, 2013 in West Carrollton; April 3, 2014 in Miamisburg; and May 5, 2014 in Miami Township/West Carrollton on CSX railroad property. The defendant is incarcerated at Pickaway Correctional, with an expected release date of April 20, 2023. (Case# 2013-CR-3714, 2014-CR-627, 2014-CR-1242 & 2014-CR-1662)

October 7, 2014—**Anthony Stargell, Jr.**, 23, convicted of aggravated murder, two counts each of aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary, tampering with evidence, and one count each of felonious assault, grand theft of a motor vehicle, aggravated arson, having weapons while under disability and cruelty to companion animals, was sentenced to life without the possibility of parole plus an additional 35-and-a-half years in prison. The defendant fatally shot Tommy Nickles and his dog, Rusty, on April 2, 2012 inside the victim's business on S. Main Street in Dayton. He then robbed the victim, removed video surveillance equipment, set fire to the business, and stole the victim's work truck. The defendant is incarcerated at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility. (Case# 2012-CR-1169)

October 8, 2014—**Jesse Stinson**, 29, convicted of murder, aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary and having weapons while under disability, was sentenced to 32 years to life in prison. On October 10, 2012, the defendant fatally shot Tyree North and robbed and ransacked his home on Mount Charles Drive in Huber Heights. The defendant is incarcerated at Warren Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until February 12, 2045. (Case# 2013-CR-237)

November 5, 2014—**Curtis R. Gray**, 28, convicted of murder and felonious assault, was sentenced to life in prison. On October 10, 2013, the defendant killed Daniel Mooty by stabbing him over 100 times, on Quitman Street in Dayton. The defendant is incarcerated at Warren Correctional, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until August, 2028. (Case# 2013-CR-3237)

November 6, 2014—**Bonnie Ritchie**, 22, convicted of theft from an elderly or disabled person, was sentenced to 50 days in jail. On February 17, 2014, the defendant stole a guide dog from its blind owner and sold it on craigslist.com three days later. The buyer saw the news story about the dog, contacted the police, and the dog was returned to its owner. (Case# 2014-CR-739)

November 17, 2014—After the Second District Court of Appeals and the Ohio Supreme Court refused to hear her appeals, the Supreme Court of the United States also refused to hear the appeal of **China Arnold**, who was convicted of killing her 28-day-old daughter, Paris Talley, on August 30, 2005, by placing the infant in a microwave oven and turning it on. The defendant was sentenced to life without the possibility of parole on May 20, 2011. (Case# 2006-CR-4928)

November 26, 2014—**Anthony Wilkerson**, 20, convicted of felonious assault on a police officer and illegal discharge of a firearm on or near prohibited premises, was sentenced to seven years in prison. On June 6, 2014, as a police officer was interviewing witnesses about a suspicious vehicle, the defendant drove by in an SUV and fired multiple shots at the officer, who was uninjured. The defendant is incarcerated at Lebanon Correctional, with an expected release date of July 25, 2021. (Case# 2014-CR-2484)

December 18, 2014—**Jacob Gipson**, 26, convicted of murder, complicity to commit aggravated robbery and complicity to commit aggravated burglary, was sentenced to 15 years to life in prison. The defendant committed a home invasion on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013, in which John T. Grachek was fatally shot. The defendant is incarcerated at the Corrections Reception Center, and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until February, 2028. (Case# 2013-CR-1025)

December 30, 2014—**Richard Dunlevy**, 46, convicted of aggravated vehicular homicide and OVI, was sentenced to seven years in prison. On March 29, 2014, the defendant was speeding down an alley, under the influence of alcohol, when he crashed into another vehicle, killing the 61 year old driver. The defendant is incarcerated at the Corrections Reception Center, with an expected release date of September 15, 2021. (Case# 2014-CR-2567)

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## Prosecutor's Office Helps the Dayton Foodbank

The office staff was recently inspired by the opportunity to donate canned goods to the Dayton Foodbank in a fun and exciting way. The staff collectively donated over 1,500 canned food items. In an inter-office rivalry, the Prosecutor's Civil Division dominated the food drive, with 456 items collected. On December 19, 2014, the food items were donated to the Foodbank.



Above: Assistant Prosecutors Michael Rich, Richard Glennon, Michelle Grodner and Julie Bruns deliver over 1,300 pounds of canned food items to the Foodbank.

Congratulations go to the Civil Division, but more importantly, thanks to the entire staff for donating over 1,300 pounds of food to the Dayton Foodbank during the holiday season. For more information about the Dayton Foodbank or to make a donation of your own, visit [www.thefoodbankdayton.org](http://www.thefoodbankdayton.org).

## Office Staff Updates

The following are staff additions since our last newsletter.

DATE	NAME	POSITION AND ASSIGNMENT
9/24/14	Melissa Redlien	Assistant Prosecutor, Appellate Division
10/27/14	Laura Jordan	Legal Secretary, Case Management
11/21/14	Gina Leopard	Legal Secretary, Case Management
12/29/14	Kelsie Carson	Assistant Prosecutor, Juvenile Division
1/12/15	Zachary Kling	Assistant Prosecutor, Child Protection Unit
1/12/15	Brandon Moermond	Assistant Prosecutor, Child Protection Unit

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