

MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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(January 5, 2007, Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced the following criminal non-support cases:

DONALD DYER

On January 5, 2007, Judge Bond sentenced Donald Dyer, 34, of Martindale Drive in Tallmadge, to ten months in prison for the crime of nonsupport of dependents. At the time of sentencing, the Defendant owed **\$26,105.83** in child support arrears for his children.

This Criminal Nonsupport case involves two children, ages 16 and 14. The Defendant and the custodial parent were divorced in 1995. In the divorce, the Defendant was ordered to pay child support in the amount of \$30.00 per week, per child.

The Defendant failed to pay child support and, in 2001, he was found guilty of contempt. The Defendant continued to fail to pay child support and was charged with criminal nonsupport. The Defendant pled guilty to the crime in 2002 and was placed on five years of community control.

On January 5, 2007, the Defendant pled guilty to violating the terms and conditions of probation and was sentenced to ten months in prison.

MICHAEL REIGHART

On January 5, 2007, Judge Cosgrove sentenced Michael Reighart, 35, Poplar Street in Canal Fulton, to one year in prison for the crimes of nonsupport of dependents and possession of cocaine. The Defendant was on probation for both crimes at the time of sentencing and had suspended sentences of one year on each case, to run concurrently, for a total of one year. At the time of sentencing, the Defendant owed **\$16,032.71** in child support arrears for his children.

The Criminal Nonsupport case involves one child, nine years old. The Defendant and the custodial parent were never married. In 2000, the Summit County CSEA issued an administrative order setting child support in the amount of \$202.63, per month.

The Defendant failed to pay child support and, in 2003, he was found guilty of contempt. The Defendant continued to fail to pay child support and was charged with criminal nonsupport. The Defendant pled guilty to the crime in 2005 and was placed on community control.

On January 5, 2007, the Defendant pled guilty to violating the terms and conditions of probation and was sentenced to one year in prison.