

## **CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE**

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## Tyric Green and D'Andre Morris Sentenced to Prison for Intentionally Setting a House on Fire with Three People Inside Including a 7-Month-Old Baby; Family Dog Salami Died as a Result

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that Tyric Green, 21, was sentenced to 17 to 22.5 years in prison for intentionally setting a house on fire in Cleveland with three people inside – including a 7- month-old-baby. Additionally, D'Andre Morris, 22, was sentenced to 6 to 9 years in prison.

"Instead of paying rent, Tyric Green thought it would be a good idea to burn his landlord's house down," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "These two individuals deserve to be locked up."

Tyric Green failed to make three months of rent payments on the apartment he shared with his grandmother. After the landlord notified the grandmother, Green forged a letter from PNC Bank regarding the deposit of the funds.

On April 19, 2024, Tyric Green and D'Andre Morris approached Green's grandmother's landlord's residence near West 106th Street and Clifton Boulevard in Cleveland. They attempted to set the residence on fire with a suspected ignitable liquid while the occupants were inside, but the attempt was unsuccessful. The next night around 2 a.m., they both came back to the same residence and successfully set the residence on fire with a suspected ignitable liquid. Three victims, a 29-year-old female, a 26-year-old male, and a 7-month-old baby, a cat, and Salami – their family dog – were all inside. Green and Morris then fled the scene.

The three victims and the cat managed to escape by jumping out of a window on the second floor. Salami was pronounced deceased on the scene. Green and Morris caused over \$750,000 in damages including damage to the surrounding residences. The Cleveland Fire Department (CFD) and the Cleveland Division of Police (CDP) both responded to the scene. The investigation was conducted by CDP and CFD.

On September 10, 2024, Tyric Green pleaded guilty to the following charges:

- 10 counts of Aggravated Arson
- Four counts of Attempted Aggravated Arson
- Two counts of Arson
- Two counts of Cruelty To Companion Animals
- Two counts of Forgery
- One count of Possessing Criminal Tools

He was sentenced to 17 to 22.5 years in prison.

On September 5, 2024, D'Andre Morris pleaded guilty to the following charges:



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- One count of Aggravated Arson
- Two counts of Attempted Aggravated Arson
- Two counts of Cruelty To Companion Animals
- One count of Possessing Criminal Tools

He was sentenced to 6 to 9 years in prison.