

## CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE Michael C. O'Malley

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## Terrell Silver Sentenced to Five Consecutive Life Sentences Without the Possibility of Parole for Killing Four Individuals Including a 5 ½ Month Pregnant Woman in Cleveland in September 2019

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that Terrell Silver, 35, was sentenced to five consecutive life sentences without the possibility of parole plus an additional 30.5 to 36 years in prison to be served consecutively for killing four individuals, including a woman who was five and a half months pregnant, in Cleveland in September 2019.

"Terrell Silver is a convicted mass murderer. He is the worst of the worst," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "His victims' families finally have some of the answers they need to try to understand this horrific event. Ultimately, justice for this mass murderer awaits him in prison, hell, or both."

Sometime between September 7, 2019, and September 21, 2019, Terrell Silver approached the four victims, two females, Jazmyne Lawson, age 18, and Aiyanna Quitman, age 19, and two males, Dejuan Damar Willis, age 20, and Christopher Monroe, age 23, inside a residence near East 144th Street and Kinsman Road in Cleveland where they were staying at the time. Silver shot all four victims multiple times as they were lying down on two mattresses on the floor. Jazmyne Lawson was five and a half months pregnant. He then fled the scene.

On September 21, the Cleveland Division of Police (CDP) discovered the four victims' decomposed bodies inside the residence.

The investigation was conducted by the Cleveland Homicide Initiative, which includes the CDP's Homicide Unit, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Ohio Attorney General's Bureau of Criminal Investigation, with assistance from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, the Cuyahoga County Forensics Lab, and the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office's Homicide Investigation Unit. The investigation utilized information initially gathered and additional investigative resources including DNA and gun tool mark evidence that linked Terrell Silver to the crime.

On September 16, 2024, Terrell Silver was found guilty on the following charges:

- Seven counts of Aggravated Murder
- Four counts of Murder
- Five counts of Felonious Assault
- One count of Attempted Murder
- One count of Aggravated Burglary

Terrell Silver was found guilty by a judge on the following charges:



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## • Two counts of Having Weapons Under Disability

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