## Lebanon Man Sentenced to Prison for Involuntary Manslaughter, Trafficking in Drugs

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Earlier today, Andrew M. Lutz, 30, of Lebanon, Ohio, pled guilty to one count involuntary manslaughter, a felony of the 1<sup>st</sup> degree, and one count aggravated trafficking in drugs, a felony of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree. Lutz was immediately sentenced to five years in prison by Warren County Common Pleas Court Judge Timothy Tepe.

On September 14, 2016, the Mason Police Department discovered Charles Boswell, Jr. and a passenger in a vehicle on U.S. Route 42 in Mason. Mr. Boswell was unresponsive and eventually pronounced dead at the West Chester Medical Center. Investigation revealed that the cause of his death was an overdose from fentanyl and carfentanil. The passenger was also treated for a drug overdose. Investigation by the Mason Police Department revealed that Lutz had sold to Boswell and the passenger what they believed to be heroin a short time before from Lutz' residence in Lebanon, Ohio.

The Mason Police Department, working with the Warren County Drug Task Force, located Lutz at his residence on East Warren Street in Lebanon. Shortly before executing search warrants, Lutz was observed leaving the residence. He was arrested thereafter by Lebanon Police officers and agents of the Warren County Drug Task Force. A search of the residence on Warren Street revealed drug trafficking paraphernalia and quantities of fentanyl and carfentanil.

Warren County Prosecutor David P. Fornshell commended the efforts of Detective Jeff Wyss of the Mason Police Department, the Warren County Drug Task Force, the Lebanon Police Department, Assistant Prosecutor John Arnold, Director of Victim Witness Services Jessi Flint, and Legal Assistant Kathy Fink for their work on the case.



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