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### TWO TOLEDO MEN SENTENCED TO LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE FOR MURDER OF TWO TEENAGERS

**TOLEDO, Ohio** – Lucas County Prosecuting Attorney Julia R. Bates announced that on Thursday, May 16, 2024, a Lucas County jury found Brent Kohlhoffer and Charles Walker guilty on multiple counts, including the Aggravated Murder and Murder of two teenage boys. On June 3, 2024, a Lucas County Common Pleas Court judge sentenced Kohlhoffer and Walker to life without parole, consecutive to another life sentence with parole eligibility after serving 15 years.

On Dec. 3, 2022, 15-year-old Kyshawn Pittman and 16-year-old Ke'Marion Wilder attended a birthday party at Maumee Bay State Park in Oregon, Ohio. They were later asked to leave by the party host. Afterwards, the two teenagers went to a home on Maumee Street in Toledo. While there in the basement playing video games, the two were confronted in the basement about a theft. The confrontation led to the boys being beaten and bound.

Witnesses reported the boys were then led to Kohlhoffer and Walker, where they were beaten before being placed in Walker's vehicle and driven to an unknown third location. Kohlhoffer and Walker killed the teens at this unknown location before returning to the Chase Street address.

Authorities discovered Pittman and Wilder in the basement among the ruins of a house fire on Dec. 15, 2022. A report from the Lucas County Coroner's Office indicated neither victim had soot or thermal burns in their lungs, suggesting they were killed before the fire.

"We are thankful for the jury's service and that we were able to provide justice for the families of Kyshawn Pittman and Ke'Marion Wilder," Bates said. "I hope their families can find a degree of peace. May their memories forever live in their hearts."

In addition to finding Kohlhoffer and Walker guilty of one count each of Aggravated Murder, the jury convicted them of two counts each of Murder and Kidnapping.

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