

Keller J. Blackburn

Athens County Prosecuting Attorney

ACPO PRESS RELEASE

From: Keller J. Blackburn, Athens County Prosecuting Attorney

Date: January 10, 2014 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

First Time Drug Offender Given Opportunity for Treatment Instead of Prison

Ashley Jude, 26, of Columbus, Ohio, appeared before Judge L. Alan Goldsberry on January 10, 2014, and entered a plea of guilty to a Superseding Indictment charging one (1) count of Possession of a Controlled Substance Analog, a felony of the fifth degree and one (1) count of Tampering with Evidence, a felony of the third degree.

Upon agreement of the parties, Judge Goldsberry placed Jude on five (5) years of community control and ordered her to complete the Franklin County Community Based Correction Facility (CBCF) program.

Prosecutor Keller J. Blackburn states that, "This case involves an individual with no prior criminal history, the CBCF program will give Ms. Jude the opportunity for drug treatment. Provided that she takes advantage of the services offered to her, it is the hope of this office that Ms. Jude become a drug free member of society and not re-offend."

This case was investigated by the Athens County Sheriff's Office.