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Canton Man Sentenced to Prison for Burglary of Court Street Apartments

Reginald D. Whipple, 23, of Canton, Ohio, appeared on April 29, 2014, for the purpose of a pretrial hearing. Whipple entered a change of plea to guilty for an indictment charging two (2) counts of Burglary, both felonies of the second degree.

The Court sentenced Whipple to a total of four (4) years in the State Penal System. Upon his release from prison, Whipple is subject to three (3) years of mandatory post release control. Whipple is also required to pay Court costs and restitution as well as have no contact with Court Street Apartments or the victims in this matter.

Whipple's co-defendant, Tony Jay Tavares, 23, of Canton, was also given a four (4) year prison term on April 15, 2014.

Prosecutor Blackburn reports that "on February 2, 2014, Tavares and Whipple entered two (2) separate residences on North Court Street without permission and removed items."

This case was investigated by the Athens City Police Department.