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## Athens County Man Gets Eight Years in Prison for Multiple Burglaries

Joseph Ryan McGee, 24, of The Plains, Ohio, appeared before Judge L. Alan Goldsberry on June 16, 2014, for the purpose of a pretrial hearing. McGee entered a change of plea to guilty to an indictment charging four (4) counts of Burglary, all felonies of the second degree.

McGee was sentenced to eight (8) years in the State Penal System. McGee was also ordered to pay restitution to the victims in this matter.

Prosecutor Blackburn reports that, "On November 17, 2013, McGee broke into residences on Franklin Avenue and on Grosvenor Street in Athens. Again on April 9, 2014, McGee broke in to two (2) separate residences on Walker Street in Athens." Blackburn continued, "Athens County residents deserve to feel secure in their homes. That's why we've created the Property Crimes Task Force to help prevent these kinds of crimes from happening in our community."

This case was investigated by the Athens City Police Department.

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