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**ATHENS, Ohio** – James D. Howard, 25, of Athens, Ohio, appeared before Judge Patrick J. Lang on June 14, 2016, and entered a change of plea of guilty to one (1) count of Burglary, a felony of the third degree and one (1) count of Tampering with Records, a felony of the third degree.

Judge Lang sentenced Howard to four (4) years and eleven (11) months in the State Penal System. Upon his release from incarceration, Howard will be subject to three (3) years of optional post-release control.

This case was investigated by the Ohio University Police Department.