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8th Subject Arrested in Connection with Disappearance, Murder of Iron Cannon

The Wadsworth Police Department with the assistance of the Mentor Police Department arrested 29 year old Walter Render IV today in connection with the disappearance and murder of 27-year-old Iron Cannon.

Walter Render IV of Mentor was indicted on Tuesday, September 28th, 2021 by a Medina County Grand Jury on the following charges: Gross Abuse of a Corpse, Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity, Obstructing Justice, and Tampering with Evidence. His bond was set at \$500,000.

Iron Jailen Cannon, of Akron, was last seen in Wadsworth on October 18, 2020, where he was shot and killed. Throughout the investigation, detectives learned of an intricate cover-up, which consisted of significant efforts to mislead law enforcement. These efforts included the destruction of and tampering with evidence, including Mr. Cannon's remains. Remains believed to be Mr. Cannon were recovered from Lake Milton in Mahoning County on September 12, 2021.

A Medina County Grand Jury previously indicted the following seven people:

- Justin D. Hornbeck, 29, of Uniontown: Murder with Firearm Specification, Tampering with Evidence, Having Weapons Under Disability, Obstructing Justice, Gross Abuse of a Corpse, Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- Tyrone L. Render, 28, of Wooster: Tampering with Evidence with Firearm Specification,
 Obstructing Justice, Having Weapons Under Disability, Gross Abuse of a Corpse, Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- Autumn M. Knight, 28, of Cuyahoga Falls: Tampering with Evidence, Obstructing Justice, Gross Abuse of a Corpse, Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- Marcus Y. Clark, 55, of Akron: Tampering with Evidence, Obstructing Justice, Gross Abuse of a Corpse, Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- Christopher J. Williams, 33, of Akron: Tampering with Evidence, Obstructing Justice, Gross Abuse of a Corpse, Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity
- Samantha P. McCune, 28, of Uniontown: Obstructing Justice
- Antonio W. Moore, 39, of Akron: Obstructing Justice

An indictment is only a criminal charge, and is not evidence of guilt. All defendants are entitled to a fair trial in which the government must show guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The investigation into the death of Iron Cannon is still ongoing, and certain details will not be available to the public at this time. The Wadsworth Police Department is committed to holding anyone who had involvement in this case accountable for their actions.