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Repeat violent offender found guilty in murder trial



David Hollie, 46, of Warren, was found guilty of five felony charges, including murder with a firearm specification, having weapons while under disability with a firearm specification, tampering with evidence, failure to comply with order/signal of police officer and receiving stolen property ending a three-day trial before Trumbull County Common Pleas Judge Sarah T. Kovoor.

The jury took a little more than an hour to convict Hollie, who has a lengthy criminal record including a 2005 conviction for involuntary manslaughter with firearm specification.

In this case, Hollie was charged in the Aug. 3, 2025, fatal shooting of 34-year-old Choice D. Washington on Scott Street NE in Warren. Hollie fled the scene in a stolen silver Buick which initiated a high-speed chase reaching 111 mph. Ohio State Highway Patrol trooper Brandon Gibson testified to performing a PIT maneuver to stop and arrest Hollie.

First Assistant Christopher Becker represented the state in the case, calling a number of law enforcement officers to the stand, including Warren detectives Nicole Smith and John Greaver, who had monitored a jail call Hollie had made in which he talked about a "demo" in which the detective interpreted as describing video footage of the shooting incident.

Sentencing for Hollie is scheduled for Oct. 28 before Judge Kovoor.

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