TRUMBULL COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

Dennis Watkins, Prosecutor Repeat Violent Offenders newsletter **UPDATE:** July 30, 2025

Pair convicted of Liberty armed robbery get indefinite sentences

Shane T. Adams, 33, photo at left, was sentenced on July 30 by Common Pleas Judge Sean O'Brien to an indefinite prison term from six to seven-and-a-half years. Adams had pleaded guilty to an aggravated robbery first-degree felony with a three-year firearm specification on May 8.

The case involved a Jan. 2, 2025, incident when the Papa John's pizza shop on Belmont Avenue in Liberty Township was robbed.

Adams and his co-defendant were later arrested in Youngstown after police found an SUV suspected of being involved in the Liberty robbery -- as well as gas stations heists in Austintown and Canfield -- at the intersection of Powersdale and Cameron avenues on the south side of Youngstown, reports stated.

Adams' co-defendant, Tylin J. Fairchild, 32, photo at right, pleaded guilty on Tuesday, July 29, before Judge Sarah T. Kovoor, to the same aggravated robbery felony with the firearm specification. Fairchild was also given the same six to seven-and-a-half-year sentence. Both men face similar charges in Mahoning County Common Pleas Court, where their cases are still pending.

Assistant Prosecutor Michael Burnett handled both Trumbull County cases representing the state of Ohio.

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