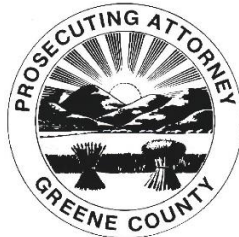


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51-year-old man found guilty by a jury for Domestic Violence and Failure to Comply with the Order or Signal of a Police Officer

Fairborn, OH – Joe Eldridge was found guilty by a jury for two counts of Failure to Comply with the Order or Signal of a Police Officer and one count of Domestic Violence in the Greene County Common Pleas Court yesterday, August 31, 2022. Prosecuting Attorney David D. Hayes announced the guilty verdicts today before Judge Michael A. Buckwalter.

On April 30, 2022, the Defendant’s girlfriend appeared at the Fairborn Police Department with two black eyes and swelling to her face. She reported Eldridge attacked her several days ago. Eldridge also admitted to assaulting the victim to a separate witness. A warrant was issued for Eldridge’s arrest based on the initial domestic violence report.

On June 7, 2022, Fairborn Police Officer Connor Mulcahy saw Eldridge riding a motorcycle. After confirming his identity and discovering Eldridge’s pending warrant for domestic violence, he attempted to apprehend Eldridge. Officer Mulcahy activated his overhead cruiser lights and yelled for Eldridge to stop. Eldridge fled from Officer Mulcahy and reported to others he was fleeing at approximately 101 miles per hour in the area of Kaufman Avenue and Powell Avenue. Officer Mulcahy determined further pursuit placed others at risk and ended his active attempts to apprehend Eldridge. Shortly thereafter, Eldridge crashed his motorcycle and flew into a grassy area. Eldridge was taken by medics for medical treatment. Eldridge reportedly shattered his ankle and stated he may never walk again.

According to Greene County Prosecutor David D. Hayes, “This successful prosecution was the result of excellent police work by Detective Travis Hunsbarger of the Fairborn Police Department and the commitment and diligence of Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Michele Henne. Victim Advocate Rebecca Walsh also played a critical role. Eldridge has a number of prior violent felony convictions, including Domestic Violence, Robbery, and Aggravated Burglary. He has been sentenced to prison on seven prior occasions. Due to their efforts, a dangerous, violent felon is off the streets and behind bars.”



(Joe Eldridge)