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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Judge Chafin sentences 19-Year-Old Layle Mohler of Columbus  
to 13 years in prison in a shooting from December 8, 2025**

**Circleville, Ohio – April 3, 2026** – Pickaway County Common Pleas Court Judge Matthew H. Chafin sentenced Layle Mohler of Columbus this morning to an indefinite term of 10 to 15 years for the Aggravated Robbery, a Felony of the First Degree. In addition to this sentence, the court imposed a mandatory, consecutive three-year sentence for the firearm specification. Under the sentence, the three-year specification must be served prior to and consecutive with the 10 to 15 year underlying sentence, ensuring a substantial period of incarceration.

The charges stemmed from a December 8, 2025, shooting that took place at 4800 Duvall Road, Ashville. Mr. Mohler was involved in an altercation and shots were fired hitting the victim in the chest. The victim was transported to Grant Medical Center, and his family was told he had a 1% chance of survival. The victim did survive, and he was present in the courtroom today.

Four victim impact statements were given, in which all described the victim's life-threatening injuries, how lucky he is to be alive, and how this violent crime has left a lasting trauma on him and his entire family.

"This sentencing reflects the extreme severity of utilizing a firearm to threaten the safety of our community," said Judge Chafin.