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## City Attorney Zach Klein Announces Property Action Team Secures Order to Shut Down Linden Area Drug House

*Says case highlights importance of community tips to help authorities gather evidence and record of criminality to bring successful case to court*

**COLUMBUS, OH**—Columbus City Attorney Zach Klein today announced that the Property Action Team secured a court order to shut down a Linden area drug house that had long been on the City’s radar, with nearly two dozen calls for service in recent years due to alleged criminal drug sales and other nuisance activity.

Columbus Police (CPD) obtained and executed an order to board up the property located at 1591 Aberdeen Avenue, which is located near a church, schools, area small businesses, the Linden Community Center and dozens of residential properties.

**“My priority remains the safety and security of our neighborhoods, so the moment we had the evidence to move in and present a case to shut this property down, we did. No one deserves to live, raise a family, attend church or school or operate a business knowing there’s a drug house down the street that’s pushing fentanyl and deadly narcotics into the neighborhood,”** said Columbus City Attorney Zach Klein.

According to documents, the property has a criminal history dating back to April 2022 when CPD began investigating it due to community complaints of illegal drug sales at the premises.

Between April 2022 and March 2025, CPD received 22 calls for service for various reasons, including burglary, narcotics, fights, and repeated suspicious activity consistent with drug sales.

On multiple occasions, neighbors reported numerous people coming and leaving through the rear of the home, broken windows, and individuals brandishing firearms.

Following numerous community tips to law enforcement about illegal drug sales, the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms Task Force (ATF) obtained and executed a search warrant in March 2025 at the premises. The operation uncovered \$10,000 worth of fentanyl as well as crack, methamphetamine and other pills totaling thousands of dollars in street value at the premises.

**“In this case, concerned neighbors did the right thing and reported suspicious activity when they saw it so that we could get the evidence needed to present a case to shut this place down and improve neighborhood safety,”** said Property Action Team Attorney Kenyatta Wilder. **“I encourage anyone to contact CPD or 311 if they see similar criminal or nuisance activity so that we can monitor and build a case to hold bad actors accountable.”**