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Judge Sentences Man for Rape of 4-year-old girl

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio (Friday, April 5th, 2024) - In February, a jury found 58 year old Todd Perkins guilty of Rape and Gross Sexual Imposition. His victim was a then four year old girl. Today, Perkins was sentenced 20 years to life in prison for these crimes.

Perkins was indicted on May 9, 2019, by the Mahoning County Grand Jury. On May 7, 2021, Perkins pled no contest to two counts of rape and was sentenced to fifteen years by Judge Sweeney. An appeals court returned the case, ruling that the court should have granted a motion to sever the cases of the victims, one of whom was the victim in this case.

“What happened to this young girl is truly horrendous,” said Prosecutor Gina DeGenova. “I commend her tremendous resilience and bravery. It is very gratifying to see Todd Perkins held accountable for his heinous sexual crimes; this young girl has waited so many years for justice.”

"Our dedication to justice for victims like the victim of Perkins is why we established a Special Victims Unit," Prosecutor DeGenova explained. "We are unwavering in our commitment to hold accountable those who commit such despicable crimes against children. If you commit such acts in Mahoning County, our team of law enforcement officers and prosecutors will relentlessly pursue justice within the bounds of the law." Prosecutor DeGenova continued saying, “I also congratulate the hard work of my team of lawyers, Criminal Chief Rob Andrews and Assistant Prosecutors Kevin Day and Daniel Yozwiak.”