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Barberton Man Pleads Guilty to Raping Girl

AKRON, Ohio (Friday, January 15, 2016) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Justin Ramirez, 25, of West Lake Avenue in Barberton, pled guilty in connection with the rape of a young girl.

Ramirez pled guilty to the following charge:

- Rape – a felony of the first degree

In March of 2015, the 8-year-old victim disclosed to her mother that Ramirez had inappropriately engaged in sexual conduct with her when she was 6-years-old. When interviewed by detectives, Ramirez made admissions that corroborated the victim's statements.

Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Tammy O'Brien is scheduled to sentence Ramirez on January 22, 2016 at 9am. Ramirez faces Life in Prison. At sentencing, Ramirez would also be designated a Tier III sex offender, meaning if he is released from prison, Ramirez would have to register with the local sheriff's department every 90 days for the rest of his life.