

**MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH**

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**Akron Man Guilty of Raping Young Girl**

(June 6, 2013... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that a jury found Robert D. Roper, 24, of Downing Place in Akron, guilty of Rape, a felony of the first degree.

Roper repeatedly raped the five-year-old daughter of an acquaintance in 2010 and 2011.

Judge Amy Corrigan Jones will sentence Roper on July 1 at 9:30 a.m. Roper faces a possible sentence of life in prison with parole eligibility after 25 years up to life in prison without parole.