

**MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH**

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**Stevens Sentenced to Life in Prison for Raping Four-Year-Old Girl**

(March 25, 2013... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Cory J. Stevens, 37, of S. Adolph Street in Akron, pleaded guilty to Rape, a felony of the first degree.

Stevens sexually assaulted the four-year-old daughter of an acquaintance while he was babysitting her. When the little girl was picked up, she immediately told what happened. Stevens eventually confessed when confronted with DNA evidence.

Judge Alison McCarty immediately sentenced Stevens to life in prison. He will be eligible for parole in 2023.