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Gregory Kudla found Guilty of Rape

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AKRON, OHIO – December 2, 2014 – Summit County Prosecuting Attorney Sherri Bevan Walsh today announced Gregory Kudla, 38, of Gettysburg Drive in Twinsburg was found guilty by a jury of eight counts of Rape, first degree felonies, eight counts of Sexual Battery, third degree felonies, and Gross Sexual Imposition, a felony of the third degree.

On May 13, 2014 one of Kudla's victims reported his crimes to the guidance counselor at her school. Through further investigation by the Twinsburg Police, a second victim was discovered. Kudla began sexually assaulting the second victim when she was only nine or ten years old, and continued assaulting her until she was 18 years old.

Kudla was a trustee and head coach for the Sagamore Hills FC, a nonprofit that offers soccer programs for adults and youth in Northeast Ohio.

Prosecutor Walsh stated, "This was a despicable crime against these two children. Kudla stole their innocence for his own deplorable satisfaction."

Kudla will be sentenced by Judge Thomas Teodosio on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.