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Barberton Man Pleads Guilty to Rape

Detrus Lewis Sentenced to Life in Prison

AKRON, Ohio (Wednesday, January 04, 2017) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Detrus Lewis, 49, of 21st Street NW in Barberton, pled guilty to rape. The victim was a member of Lewis' family.

Lewis pled guilty to the following charge:

- Rape – a felony of the 1st degree

Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Joy Oldfield immediately sentenced Lewis to life in prison. Lewis is eligible for parole after ten years. Judge Oldfield also designated Lewis a Tier III sex offender. If Lewis is ever released from prison, he would have to register with the local sheriff's department every 90 days for the rest of his life.

Lewis was babysitting the victim on at least two occasions during the fall of 2016 when the sexual assault occurred.