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Barberton Man Sentenced to Life in Prison for Raping Girl

AKRON, Ohio (Friday, January 22, 2016) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Tammy O'Brien sentenced Justin Ramirez, 25, of West Lake Avenue in Barberton, to Life in Prison, with parole eligibility after 15 years.

On January 15, 2016, 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.

Judge O'Brien also designated Ramirez a Tier III sex offender. If Ramirez is released from prison, he will have to register as a sex offender with the local sheriff every 90 days for the rest of his life.