

## **MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH**

Contact: Lisa Holdt  
(330) 643-2800

### **Man found Guilty of Rape**

(August 2, 2011, Akron) ... Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced that yesterday afternoon Anthony Wilder, 46, of Dennison Ave. in Akron, was found guilty by a jury of Rape, a first degree felony, and Sexual Battery, a third degree felony.

On February 9, 2009, the victim reported to police that Wilder had been sexually abusing her for several years. Wilder was not married to the victim's mother, but had lived together with the family for many years and acted as a stepfather. DNA found in the victim's shorts was a match to Wilder.

Wilder will be sentenced by Judge Paul Gallagher on August 29, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. He could face up to 15 years in prison.