

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

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### **Child Rapist Receives Mandatory Life Sentence**

(October 28, 2009, Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Eugene Mishler, 35, of Akron, pled guilty yesterday (10/27/09) afternoon to Rape, a felony of the first degree. He was sentenced by Judge Judith Hunter to Life without the possibility of parole eligibility until after 25 years.

“This is a parent’s worst nightmare,” Prosecutor Walsh said. “You trust someone to watch your children and you have to believe that they will not violate that trust by committing one of the worst offenses thinkable. This little girl was very brave to step forward and to help us gain a conviction. For her sake and all children’s sake, he needs to never get out of prison.”

Mishler was a live-in babysitter for an eleven-year old female for about 10 months. He moved out in August of 2008. In February 2009, the girl’s mother was given a notebook that a cousin found that described how the defendant had committed various sexual offenses against the victim. The daughter disclosed that Mishler had raped her.

The daughter also told her mother he had showed her a picture of a dead baby and that this is what he was going to do to her if she said anything. Based upon the age of the victim and the circumstances of the case, the sentence was a mandatory Life without parole eligibility until after 25 years.