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Akron Man Sentenced to 20 to 25.5 Years in Prison for Brutal Barberton Attack

Timothy Williams Pleads Guilty to Several Charges in Connection with Assault

AKRON, Ohio (Tuesday, March 8, 2022) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Alison McCarty sentenced Timothy Williams, 31, of Garfield Street in Akron, to 20-to-25.5 years in prison in connection with a sexual assault in Barberton.

Prior to sentencing, Williams pled guilty to the following charges:

- Attempted Rape – a Felony of the 2nd Degree
- Kidnapping with Repeat Violent Offender and Sexual Motivation Specifications – a Felony of the 1st Degree
- Aggravated Robbery with a Repeat Violent Offender Specification – a Felony of the 1st Degree

Judge McCarty also found Williams guilty of being a Repeat Violent Offender. Judge McCarty designated Williams a Tier III sex offender. If Williams is released from prison, he would have to register with the local sheriff every 90 days for the rest of his life.

In June of 2021, Williams entered a Barberton flower shop, grabbed an employee, held her at knifepoint, and assaulted the employee. Another employee walked in and startled Williams, who then ran off. Police caught Williams a short time later.

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“This was a horrible, brutal assault. Williams is a violent person and will spend a significant amount of time in prison for this heinous act,” said Prosecutor Walsh. “I am so very proud of the survivor of this attack. Although she continues to deal with the trauma from what happened, she is strong and I know she will overcome what she has gone through.”