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North Canton Man Sentenced to LIFE IN PRISON for Rape of Young Girl

AKRON, Ohio (date) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced yesterday that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Susan Baker Ross sentenced Robert Yost, 69, of Arlington Road in North Canton, to LIFE IN PRISON for raping a young girl he knew.

Judge Ross also designated Yost a Tier III sex offender. If released from prison, Yost will have to register with the local sheriff every 90 days for the rest of his life.

On January 23, 2023 a Summit County jury found Yost guilty of the following charges:

- Four Counts of Rape Felonies of the 1st Degree
- Four Counts of Gross Sexual Imposition Felonies of the 3rd Degree

In March of 2020, a young girl Yost knew reported she was sexually assault by him earlier that day. An investigation found that Yost sexually assaulted the girl over a three-year period. DNA evidence was used to connect Yost to the assault.