

Elliot Kolkovich Summit County Prosecutor

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Former Doctor Found Guilty of Rape

AKRON, Ohio (Friday, December 20, 2024) – Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced today that a Summit County jury found Mahmud Kara, 58, of Hudson, guilty of Rape and Sexual Battery.

Jurors found Kara guilty of the following:

- Rape, a Felony of the 1st Degree; and
- Sexual Battery, a Felony of the 3rd Degree.

In April 2023, Kara went to dinner with the young female victim and two others before returning to Kara's house. After everyone left except for Kara and the victim, Kara sexually assaulted her. Kara is a former doctor who forfeited his medical license after pleading guilty in 2018 to four felony counts of Possessing Criminal Tools for improperly prescribing weight-loss medications.

"Sexual violence has no place in Summit County," said Prosecutor Kolkovich. "I am impressed by the courage of the survivor and grateful for her ability to stand up and tell the truth about Mahmud Kara. Thank you to the jurors for their thoughtful deliberation and to the Hudson Police Department as well as my assistant prosecutors for their work in holding Kara accountable."

Kara's bond was revoked and he was remanded to the Summit County Jail to await sentencing, which has been set for February 6, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Kara faces a maximum potential prison term of 11-to-16.5 years and Tier III sex offender registration, which requires lifetime registration every 90 days upon release from prison. Ultimately, the assigned judge will decide what sentence to impose.

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