



Elliot Kolkovich

Summit County Prosecutor

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PROSECUTOR KOLKOVICH ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL CONVICTION IN CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT CASE

AKRON, OH – Today, Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced that Jason Smith, 48, pleaded no contest to severely starving and abusing a child in his care between the years of 2020 to 2024. His co-defendant, Angela Smith, 43, was convicted earlier this month after pleading no contest on July 7.

Jason and Angela Smith both pleaded no contest to the following charges:

- One count of Felonious Assault – a 2nd Degree Felony;
- Two counts of Endangering Children – a 2nd Degree Felony; and
- One count of Endangering Children – a 3rd Degree Felony.

“No child should ever have to endure what this child has survived. I will always fight to protect our children, and I will keep working to ensure these two offenders are brought to justice,” said Prosecutor Kolkovich. **“I want to thank Summit County Children Services, the Akron Children’s Hospital staff, and the Akron Police Department for their dedicated work in ensuring this child’s safety.”**

Both Jason and Angela Smith are scheduled to be sentenced on September 11, 2025, at 2:30 p.m.

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