



Elliot Kolkovich

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PROSECUTOR KOLKOVICH ANNOUNCES GUILTY VERDICT FOR MAN WHO RAPED CHILDREN

AKRON, OH – Today, Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced that Joshua Gidley, 46, was convicted for the repeated rape of a child when she was between the ages of nine and thirteen years old. Gidley was also convicted for the rape of an additional thirteen-year-old child. Gidley pleaded guilty to two counts of Rape – each a 1st Degree Felony.

“Gidley abused his position as a trusted figure and exploited the trust and vulnerability of these children. I have made it clear many times: I do not and will not tolerate child abuse in Summit County. I commend the bravery of the survivors who came forward and extend my gratitude to the Cuyahoga Falls Police Department for their thorough investigation,” said Prosecutor Kolkovich.

Gidley is scheduled to be sentenced on September 15, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. He faces a life sentence.

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