TRUMBULL COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

Dennis Watkins, Prosecutor Repeat Violent Offenders newsletter UPDATE, April 9, 2024

Tyrell Williams gets 26- to 31-year prison term



A Warren man who was convicted last month of two counts felonious assault, two counts kidnapping and one count endangering children today was given a 26- to 31-year prison sentence for the offenses that included a brutal assault of an infant child and his mother that was captured on video. Tyrell Williams, 27, photo at left, on March 19 pleaded guilty to two counts felonious assault, two counts kidnapping and one count endangering children.

Common Pleas Judge Ronald J. Rice today ordered consecutive sentences for the repeat violent offender who, according to the judge, began his criminal career at age 12.

"Tyrell Williams, your current criminal convictions are a continuation of your lifelong career as a criminal preying on the good people of this county. Your criminal career has come to an end," Judge Rice stated.

Assistant Prosecutor Gabriel Wildman said he was pleased with the sentence, saying "the victims and residents of Trumbull County can now rest safely because Williams will be put away for a long time."

The case involved a July 2023 incident at a home in the 1800 block of Sixth Street SW, where Williams is accused of punching the mother of his 18-month-old son. A video surfaced which showed Williams punching and kicking the child, striking him directly in the face and kicking him across the room.

Judge Rice ordered the video to be played during the sentencing hearing, and it emitted gasps from people watching in the courtroom.

"As judges, our primary duty is to delicately balance the severity of the crimes committed with the appropriate punishment...," Judge Rice stated. "However, there are certain offenses that surpass any attempt at justification or rationalization. Your reprehensible acts demand the highest scrutiny and condemnation by the judicial system."

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