## TRUMBULL COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

**Dennis Watkins,** Prosecutor Repeat Violent Offenders newsletter UPDATE, NOVEMBER 20, 2023

## Bristol Township sex offender given 20-to-life term



A repeat sexual offender from Bristol Township will serve a life sentence with his first chance at parole after he serves 20 years.

Addison Fasula, 37, appeared before Trumbull County Common Pleas Judge Sean O'Brien on Monday, November 20, 2023, to plead guilty to a 11-count indictment on various sexual-orient offenses involving a 5-year-old female victim.

Fasula, who has previous sex offense convictions in Lake County, was also labeled a Tier 3 sexual

offender and if he is released from prison, will have to register his addresses with the local sheriff's office four times per year for the rest of his life. The man pleaded guilty to one count of first-degree attempted rape which carried the life specification because the victim was younger than 10 years old, three counts of gross sexual imposition, a third-degree felony, three counts of illegal use of a minor in sexually-oriented material or performance, a second-degree felony and four counts of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor, another second-degree felony.

Judge O'Brien said consecutive sentences were necessary in order to protect the public in this case because of the serious nature of the offenses and the criminal history of the defendant.

In 2016, according to Lake County court records, Fasula was convicted of two counts of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor and one count of failure to notify change of address as a sex offender and sentenced to 11 months in prison. In 2013, Fasula was labeled a tier-one sexual offender after being convicted of voyeurism, according to records. "Your actions are incomprehensible and warrant a long sentence," the judge told Fasula before imposing the 20-to-life sentence on Monday.

The mother of the young victim told the court her family can "finally start -- today -- to put this behind us."

"For the last three months, this has been utter hell," the young mother said. According to assistant Prosecutor Gabriel Wildman of the office's Child Assault Division, Fasula's offenses occurred from June 2022 until August of this year and involved sexual contact with the little girl as well as the defendant taking pictures of the girl in the state of nudity. Fasula was also found in possession of child pornographic material.

Wildman said he was pleased with the prison sentence for Fasula.

"It's a good day anytime we prevent a young victim of sexual crimes from having to come in to testify at trial," he said. "Mr. Fasula will not be free to threaten society for a very long time."

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