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PRESS RELEASE

Re: State of Ohio vs. James E. White, Seneca County Common Pleas Court Case #16-CR-0082

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

This morning a Seneca County Jury convicted James E. White of Tiffin for the sexual assaults of four (4) child victims. The offenses ranging in time from 1995 to 2008. Mr. White was convicted of three (3) counts of Rape and three (3) counts of Gross Sexual Imposition. Judge Kelbley revoked Mr. White's bond and ordered him held in the Seneca County Jail until his sentencing.

Seneca County Prosecuting Attorney Derek W. DeVine represented the State of Ohio during the trial and was aided by Assistant Prosecutor Rebeka Beresh. Mr. DeVine said after the verdicts, "I am pleased that the jury found Mr. White guilty. Credit goes to these four victims who each had to come into court and re-live the abuse and trauma. Also, Detective Shawn Vallery from the Tiffin Police Department did an excellent job putting all of the evidence together."

Based on the severity of two of the Rape convictions, Mr. White faces a sentence of life imprisonment with no parole eligibility due to one of the victims being less than ten (10) years of age at the time of the offense. Mr. White was represented by Fostoria attorney Gene P. Murray.