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DELAWARE MAN SENTENCED FOR RAPE



Shawn M. Miller, 46, was sentenced today to 50 years to life in prison.

After a five-day trial, a jury found Miller guilty of two counts of rape on July 18, 2017.

Miller, Shawn

"While we are pleased with the jury's hard work and just verdict, no sentence can ever bring closure to this young lady and her family," said Delaware County First Assistant Prosecutor Kyle Rohrer.

As outlined in the indictment against Miller, the victim in this case was a minor, under the age of 13. The abuse occurred in 2016 while the victim was living in the defendant's home.

If released, Miller would be classified as a Tier III sex offender for life and be required to complete five years of post release control.



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TWO INDICTED ON OVI CHARGES

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned indictments against 36-year-old Jason Smith of Delaware and 34-year-old Gregory Warner of Doylestown, Ohio.

On January 19, 2017, the Delaware County Sheriff's Office responded to a call of a crash at the intersection of State Route 37 E and I-71 in Sunbury.

"On scene, it was discovered the man who caused the crash had fled on foot," said Delaware County First Assistant Prosecutor Kyle Rohrer. "Once apprehended, the driver, Jason Smith, was observed to have red, bloodshot eyes accompanied by an alcoholic odor coming from his person."

Smith's car struck other vehicles from behind as they waited at a red light. Smith is charged with two counts of operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs – both fourth-degree felonies and one count of stopping after an accident on public roads or highways – a first-degree misdemeanor. This is Smith's sixth OVI in the last 20 years.

On May 20, 2017, The Ohio State Highway Patrol responded to a call on I-71. A Ford Sedan hit the left rear side of a semi.

"On scene the driver of the Ford Sedan, Gregory Warner, was found to have glassy, bloodshot eyes," Rohrer said. "In addition, there was an odor of alcohol on his person, and he was observed to be slurring his words."

Warner is charged with two counts of improperly handling firearms in a motor vehicle – both fifth-degree felonies and two counts of operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs – both first-degree misdemeanors.

Arraignment dates for Smith and Warner are not yet set.

The effects of driving under the influence can be devastating. Please make the responsible decision to never get behind the wheel if you're impaired, and if you see an impaired or distracted driver on the road, pull over to a safe place and report it by calling 1-800-GRAB-DUI or #677.

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ASHLEY MAN SENTENCED FOR AGGRAVATED ARSON



Christopher M. Richardson was sentenced to four years in prison today. He pleaded guilty in May to one count of aggravated arson - a first-degree felony.

Richardson, 27, was charged after officials were called to a house fire at 10 Vine Street the morning of January 28, 2017.

C. Richardson

"On scene, the home was engulfed in flames," said Delaware County Prosecutor, Carol O'Brien. "Richardson's mother had been inside the home and was transported for treatment."

In addition to time in prison, Richardson received five years post release control. He must also register as an arson offender upon his release.



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FACEBOOK POST

ILLINOIS MAN SENTENCED ON DRUG CHARGES



Ernest Grady

Ernest Grady was sentenced to two years in prison this morning.

Grady, 44, was indicted in April after Delaware Police received a call from a local pharmacy.

"Employees at the Sandusky Street CVS called law enforcement about a suspicious medical prescription," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "When the pharmacy contacted the doctor for verification, employees were informed the prescription was fake."

Investigators further found Grady had visited several Delaware County pharmacies seeking Amoxicillin (used to treat infection) and Promethazine with Codeine. The latter is similar to a prescription strength cough syrup, and is sometimes referred to as "syrup."

Grady pleaded guilty in June to three counts of deception to obtain a dangerous drug – fourth-degree felonies, deception to obtain a dangerous drug – fifth-degree felonies, forgery – a fifth-degree felony, and possession of drugs – a fourth-degree felony.