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\$500,000 BOND SET FOR MAN CHARGED WITH RAPING TWO JUVENILES



Bond was set at \$500,000 for 42-year-old David R. Morris of Delaware.

“In August 2018 a call came through to law enforcement alleging the sexual abuse of two young girls,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “The girls, referred to as Jane and Mary Doe on the indictment, are both younger than 13 years of age.”

D. Morris

Morris is facing a 13-count indictment that includes nine counts of rape – all first-degree felonies, two counts of gross sexual imposition – both third-degree felonies, one count of domestic violence – a fourth-degree felony, and one count of menacing by stalking – also a fourth-degree felony.

The indictment against Morris outlines the alleged crimes as occurring from June 1, 2017 through June 29, 2018.

Carol O'Brien
DELAWARE COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

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REPEAT OVI OFFENDER SENTENCED



Michael Todd, of Powell, was sentenced to 184 days in jail and five years community control after pleading guilty to operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs – a fourth-degree felony.

Todd, 35, was indicted in July after several motorists reported a male passed out at the wheel of a blue Chevrolet Cavalier at the corner of Southwind Drive and North Hampton Drive in Powell on June 23.

M. Todd

“On scene law enforcement observed a male huffing a can of duster in the driver’s seat,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “His head was swaying back and forth, and when he exited the vehicle, he was unsteady on his feet and exhibited slurred speech.”

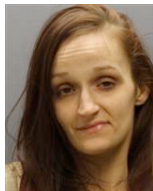
In addition to jail and community control, Todd’s license was suspended for 10 years. He is also required to take part in a treatment program.



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COLUMBUS WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO STEALING FROM CARS



Sentencing for Tarra Temple will be October 22.

The 26-year-old pleaded guilty to theft and receiving stolen property.

Temple was charged after a series of calls to law enforcement regarding car break-ins in both Delaware and Franklin Counties from May 3, 2016 through June 11, 2016.

T. Temple

“Reports to law enforcement were spread across various agencies including the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office, Powell Police, and the Upper Arlington and New Albany Police Departments as well,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “Items reported missing included credit cards, camera equipment, gift cards, a gps system, tools, a laptop, a purse and wallet, and more.”



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DELAWARE MAN SENTENCED FOR FELONIOUS ASSAULT



J. Ruotolo

Joseph M. Ruotolo, 22, was sentenced to five years in prison. He was indicted in February after a night out drinking led to the shooting of his girlfriend.

"It was shortly after the couple returned home that law enforcement received a call for help," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "On scene, authorities found a female victim bleeding profusely as a result of having been shot."

The victim was treated and later released from Riverside Hospital. Ruotolo pleaded guilty in July to felonious assault with a gun specification. In addition to five years in prison, Ruotolo received three additional years of post release control.



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MAN SENTENCED FOR OLD BAG OF NAILS ROBBERY



Joseph Anthony Nappi, 34, was sentenced to three years in prison and three years of community control. He was also ordered to pay \$750 in restitution.

Nappi, a former Old Bag Of Nails employee, was charged after a January 8, 2018 call to Delaware Police that a white male in a ski mask had robbed the Old Bag of Nails Restaurant on Sandusky Street.

J. Nappi

Nappi entered an Alford plea to robbery in August. An Alford plea is where a defendant does not admit guilt, but rather, admits the evidence that would be presented against him would likely persuade a judge or jury to find the defendant guilty.



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COLUMBUS MAN SENTENCED AFTER HIGH-SPEED CHASE



T. Harris

Timothy Lamont Harris Jr., of Columbus has been sentenced to three years community control and 100 hours of community service. He must also pay \$500 in restitution.

Harris, 20, pleaded guilty in August to failure to comply with order or signal of police officer – a third-degree felony. He was charged after a May 8, 2018 call to law enforcement that a silver Honda was travelling at a high rate of speed on Interstate 71 north.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol located the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop, but the driver ignored the lights and sirens, and instead led law enforcement on a high-speed chase.

“Speeds reached more than 120 mph,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “The suspect car passed other vehicles on the berm, went left of center, and made multiple unsafe lane changes.”

The pursuit went from Delaware to Morrow County, and back to Delaware County again via Interstate 71 and State Route 61.

“The vehicle eventually ran off the roadway into a private drive,” O’Brien said. “There were no injuries during the pursuit, and Harris was taken into custody without incident.”



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\$50,000 BOND SET FOR MAN INDICTED FOR FAILING TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER



Bond is set at \$50,000 for 28-year-old Matthew Robert Strempler.

Law enforcement was notified of the failure to register after an employer background check revealed child pornography charges dating back to 2009 while Mr. Strempler was in the military.

M. Strempler

“Since his military conviction, Mr. Strempler has lived in Mississippi, Florida, New York, Indiana, and most recently Texas,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “Records indicate he has never registered as a sex offender in any state.”

Strempler is charged with two counts of failure to register, both fourth-degree felonies.