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Jury Finds Trotwood Man Guilty of Rapes, Kidnappings, Burglaries

State v. William Jones, 2019-CR-1801

DAYTON, OH (10/05/2020) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **WILLIAM D. JONES**, 18, of Trotwood, was found guilty as charged of all counts and specifications by a jury for breaking into two residences in December 2018 and raping the residents at gunpoint.

On the night of Monday, December 3, 2018, the defendant entered a residence in the Salem Village neighborhood through a back door and raped a 24-year-old female victim at gunpoint. Then, just two days later, on December 5, 2018, he entered a different residence, in the same neighborhood, through a window and raped a 34-year-old female victim at gunpoint.

Trotwood police were able to identify the defendant from DNA evidence left at the crime scenes.

The defendant was 16 years old at the time of the crimes and was transferred to be tried as an adult due to the serious nature of the crimes and the defendant's age. Under Ohio law, the transfer was mandatory.

On Friday, October 2, 2020, after a jury trial, the defendant was found guilty of:

- Three counts of Rape by force
- Four counts of Kidnapping
- Four counts of Aggravated Burglary
- Two counts of Aggravated Robbery

All of the counts included 3-year firearm specifications.

The defendant remains in custody in the Montgomery County Jail and will be sentenced at a later date.

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