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Private Security Guard Sentenced for Child Sex Offenses

State v. Laquita Ross, 2019-CR-1228

DAYTON, OH (03/23/2020) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **LAQUITA L. ROSS**, 42, of Dayton, was sentenced to 11 years in prison after being convicted for inappropriate sex acts she performed with minors on March 19, 2019.

On Tuesday, March 19, 2019, the Dayton Police Department received information from Crimestoppers that a security guard working at the Northeast Recreation Center on Princeton Park Drive had sexually assaulted children inside her van. Further investigation determined that the defendant, employed by Moonlight Security, had sexually assaulted a number of young boys.

On April 18, 2019, the Montgomery County Grand Jury indicted the defendant on:

- Two counts of Rape
- Four counts of Unlawful Sexual Conduct With a Minor

On March 6, 2020, the defendant was found guilty.

Today, the defendant was sentenced to a total of 11 years in prison. Additionally, she was designated a Tier III Sex Offender, which requires lifetime registration.

Prosecutor Heck added, “This defendant was hired as a security guard to protect the children at the rec center. Instead, she sexually assaulted several children. Thanks to the efforts of one person reporting this defendant’s actions to Crimestoppers, the defendant was apprehended, convicted, and justice was afforded these children. Remember, “See something, say something.”

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