

## **CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE**

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## Former Cleveland Police Officer Sentenced to Two Years in Prison for Assaulting 48-Year-Old Female in May 2023

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that former Cleveland Division of Police Officer Kevin Stanard, 61, was sentenced to two years in prison for assaulting a 48-year-old female and having a weapon in a liquor permit premises in May 2023.

On May 5, 2023, Kevin Stanard was working his secondary employment position as a security guard near Payne Avenue and East 22nd Street in Cleveland. While he was at work, the 48-year-old female victim — whom he was in a relationship with — met up with him. They traveled to the Veterans of Foreign Wars bar in Euclid. Stanard had his firearm on the premises.

About an hour later, around 6 p.m., they traveled back to the area of Stanard's secondary place of employment in Cleveland. While in the parking lot, Stanard struck the victim multiple times and strangled her causing hearing problems, significant rib pain, and blood in her urine. After the assault, Stanard left the parking lot. The victim went to the hospital the next day where she was treated for her injuries.

"Mr. Stanard not only acted in a way that is unbecoming for a law enforcement officer, he perpetuated a violent act on a woman causing her long-lasting injuries and that is unacceptable," said Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley. "Our office takes intimate partner violence seriously and those who inflict it will be held accountable."

On January 22, 2024, Kevin Stanard pleaded guilty to the following charges:

- One count of Attempted Felonious Assault
- One count of Strangulation
- One count of Illegal Possess of Firearm in Liquor Permit Premises

Stanard was sentenced to two years in prison.