

Agreement keeps child from having to testify

**(KAIR)--A Leavenworth County man is going to prison, sentenced this week in a case involving attempted rape and aggravated endangering a child.**

**According to a news release issued by Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson, 77-year-old Galen Hurt learned his fate Wednesday in Leavenworth County District Court.**

**He was sentenced to more than 5-years behind bars.**

**The Linwood resident, in September, entered a plea on the second day of his jury trial.**

**His plea came after the Leavenworth County Attorney's Office received input from family members.**

**The conviction on the charges stemmed from contact Hurt had with a 4-year-old child in May 2018 when she was at his home.**

**Several members of the child's family spoke during the sentencing, addressing how his actions changed their lives, yet offering words of forgiveness, according to the release.**

**Thompson, in the release, said he's pleased that a resolution was reached that met the family's approval while keeping the young victim from having to testify.**

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