

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO
CRIMINAL DIVISION

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State of Ohio,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Case No. 11CR-4927 (Sheward, J.)

Jason L. Watkins,

Defendant.

14-0454

**DECISION AND ENTRY OVERRULING DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO SET ASIDE
GUILTY PLEA FILED JANUARY 9, 2013**

This matter came before the Court upon Defendant's Motion to Withdraw his previously entered guilty plea and the Prosecutor's Memorandum Contra.

A full evidentiary hearing was held January 31, 2013, and a record taken. The prosecutor was present and Defendant was present and represented by counsel, Joseph Reed.

Defendant testified on his own behalf. His testimony was that his only basis for asking for his plea to be set aside is that he was pressured by his family. During this hearing many of his family members were present in Court but did not offer to testify on behalf of Defendant.

For this reason, and all of the reasons stated on the record by this Court, Defendant's Motion to set aside his guilty plea is overruled.

Defendant has indicated that he wishes to appeal this decision and he is indigent. Therefore, the Court appoints the public defender to represent the Defendant on any appeal on Defendant's Motion to Set Aside his guilty plea.

So ORDERED.

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RICHARD S. SHEWARD, JUDGE

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