

***Subsequent to Josh Shapiro being sworn in as Attorney General,
Jan. 17, 2017***

On February 1, 2017, Nina Scott, while a teacher at a residential child-care facility in Radnor Township, was accused of sexually assaulting a 16-year-old female student on school property, in her vehicle and at her home.

Nicholas Gaworski, who worked as a substitute teacher in the West Allegheny School District was arrested in February 2017 and charged with unlawful contact with a minor, criminal solicitation, corruption of minors, indecent exposure, indecent assault and furnishing alcohol to a minor.

Steven Snow, a former voice teacher at Muhlenberg College was charged with one count of fourth-degree criminal sexual contact and one count of fourth-degree child abuse on March 23, 2017 after he was accused of sexually abusing an underage student during a private lesson.

Colleen McGarry, a former teacher at Pittston Area High School was sentenced August 1, 2017 to four months to two years in jail for having sexual contact with a student, corruption of minors, and giving alcohol to a minor. She must also register as a sex offender for 25 years.

On October 26, 2017, Littlestown Area School District teacher Nicholas Oaster pled guilty to corruption of minors, indecent assault, and harassment.

In February of 2018, Christopher Johnson, an English teacher at Parkland High School in South Whitehall Township, was sentenced to 3 to 28 months in prison for engaging in an inappropriate and sexual relationship with a 17 year old student.

On March 29, 2018, married teachers Ruth and Nick Baggetta of Lackawanna County were arraigned on charges of institutional sexual assault, corruption of minors, and endangering the welfare of a child after allegations of abuse of a 16 year old girl.

In March of 2018, former Trinity Area School District teacher Thomas Kelley was sentenced to 18 to 36 years in prison for rape and statutory sexual assault.

In June of 2018 Whitney Page Roberts, a substitute teacher in the Towanda Area School District in Towanda, was charged with nine counts of intercourse or sexual contact with a student after having sex with a 17 year old.

James Mentzer, a teacher at East Hanover Elementary School was charged on June 28, 2018 with institutional sexual assault, unlawful contact with a minor, indecent assault, and five counts of corruption of minors after an investigation revealed he had inappropriate sexual relations with five female students ranging in age from 8 to 11.

On July 24, 2018, Richard Humphrey, a former tech teacher at the Lackawanna County Career Technology Center, was sentenced to at least 11 months in prison for molesting 11 underage students.