

NEWS RELEASE

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Crime Against Persons Team convicts 38 felons

Thirty-eight defendants pled guilty to felonies in Mecklenburg County Superior Court before The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in administrative courtroom 5310 from Monday, July 27, through Friday, July 31. Based on the structured sentencing laws in North Carolina, sentences ranged from probation to the substantial active prison sentences received by the following three defendants:

Jamien Marshall, age 20, sentenced to 94-122 months for armed robbery.

Eric Gordon, age 54, sentenced to 78-102 months for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and being a habitual felon.

Jeffrey Taylor, age 16, sentenced to 51-71 months for armed robbery.

Note: Almost all guilty pleas entered in criminal administrative court are the result of an agreed upon plea arrangement between the State and the defendant, which is then approved by the sentencing judge. For more information about why most cases must be resolved by plea negotiation instead of jury trial, please visit the "Understanding Criminal Court" section of the DA's website at www.charmeckda.com.

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