

NEWS RELEASE

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Man receives life sentence for 2013 murder

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Today, Demarcus Martel Melvin was sentenced to life in prison for the 2013 murder of Terrence Mingo, 28. The trial began April 6, 2015, in courtroom 5370 before The Honorable Forrest D. Bridges, Superior Court Judge.

Melvin, 25, was tried for 1) first-degree murder and 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Today, the jury found him *guilty* as charged. Judge Bridges sentenced him to *life in prison without the possibility of parole*.

In May 2013, Melvin and Mr. Mingo got into an argument at a Charlotte gas station. The source of the conflict is unclear. Mr. Mingo left and went to a relative's home in Charlotte. He soon called 911, telling the operator that a car had repeatedly driven by the home. While Mr. Mingo was on the phone, Melvin approached with a gun. Mr. Mingo then tried to calm the situation just before Melvin opened fire. Mr. Mingo later died at an area hospital.



Demarcus Melvin

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