

NEWS RELEASE

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Sex offenders, armed robbers among 42 convicted

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Crimes Against Persons Team recently convicted 42 defendants of crimes such as rape and robbery. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge, during the week of May 4, 2015.

Among those convicted and sent to prison were:

Davan Bynum, 17, pled guilty to 1) two counts of first-degree rape, 2) two counts of first-degree sex offense and 3) first-degree kidnapping. Bynum was sentenced to a total of 410-612 months in prison. Upon his release from prison, Bynum must register as a sex offender and participate in satellite-based monitoring for the rest of his life. [Click here](#) for more information.

Tadeo Solano, 20, pled guilty to attempted first-degree rape. Solano was sentenced to 132-219 months in prison. Upon his release from prison, Solano must register as a sex offender for 30 years.

Patrick Williamson, 49, pled guilty to 1) assault by strangulation, 2) assault on a female and 3) being a habitual felon. Williamson was sentenced to 103-136 months in prison.

Keon Jones, 26, pled guilty to 1) second-degree sex offense, 2) two counts of second-degree kidnapping and 3) impersonating a law enforcement officer. Jones was sentenced to 73-148 months in prison. Upon his release from prison, Jones must register as a sex offender for 30 years.

Teron Dixon, 26, pled guilty to discharging a weapon into occupied property. Dixon was sentenced to 44-65 months in prison.

Brandon Gleaton, 29, pled guilty to two counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon. Gleaton was sentenced to 44-65 months in prison.

Patrick Smith, 28, pled guilty to 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) felony larceny. Smith was sentenced to 44-65 months in prison.

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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