

NEWS RELEASE

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Armed robber pleads guilty after evidence presented to jury; others plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, NC – The DA's Crimes Against Persons Team tried four defendants the week of May 23 and the week of May 30, 2011, in Mecklenburg County Superior Court. The trials were held in courtrooms 5370, 5130 and 5150.

Derek Smith, 18, was tried for 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon, 2) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon, and 3) resisting a police officer. After the evidence was presented and before the jury began deliberating, Smith pled guilty as charged. The Honorable Nathaniel J. Poovey, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Smith to 51-71 months in prison.

David Pendleton, 23, was tried for 1) second degree sex offense and 2) sexual battery. The jury returned a verdict of *not guilty* on both charges.

Malcolm Felts, 46, was tried for 1) three counts of assault with a deadly weapon on a law enforcement officer and 2) resisting a police officer. The jury returned a verdict of *not guilty* on all charges.

Brian K. Rogers, 32, was tried for robbery with a dangerous weapon. The jury returned a verdict of *not guilty*.

Jeffrey Clegg, 24, pled guilty to conspiracy to commit common law robbery. Clegg was sentenced to 13-16 months in prison, suspended for 36 months of supervised probation with 90 days in jail by The Honorable H. William Constangy, Superior Court Judge.

James Evans, 24, pled guilty to assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Evans was sentenced to 23-37 months in prison by The Honorable F. Lane Williamson, Superior Court Judge.

Nakemia Grisset, 32, pled guilty to assault on a female. Grisset was sentenced to 75 days in jail, suspended for 24 months of supervised probation by Judge Williamson.

Samuel Giles, 41, pled guilty to assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. Giles was sentenced to 40-57 months in prison by Judge Poovey.

Johnny Boyd, 19, pled guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon and perjury. Boyd was sentenced to 25-39 months in prison, followed by 16-20 months in prison, suspended for 36 months of supervised probation by Judge Constangy.

James Broadhurst, 21, pled guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. Broadhurst was sentenced to 23-37 months in prison by Judge Constangy.

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