

NEWS RELEASE

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Crimes Against Property Team convicts a Habitual Felon at trial, others plead guilty

The week of January 4 to January 8, 2010, the Crimes Against Property Team conducted three jury trials in Mecklenburg County Superior Court.

The first trial was of Marshall Blackmon, age 47, for (1) breaking or entering and (2) larceny after breaking or entering and (3) habitual felon. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty* to larceny after breaking or entering, but was unable to reach a verdict as to the breaking or entering charge. Following the guilt phase, the State presented evidence to the same jury supporting that Blackmon was a habitual felon. The jury returned a verdict finding that Blackmon was a habitual felon. The Honorable Timothy L. Patti, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Blackmon to 121-155 months in prison.

The second trial was of Demario Sims, age 22, for breaking or entering a motor vehicle. The jury returned a verdict of *not guilty*.

The third trial was of Craig Leverett, age 18, for (1) breaking or entering and (2) larceny after breaking or entering. The jury returned a verdict of *not guilty*.

Demario Early, age 19, entered a guilty plea prior to his trial. Early pled guilty to misdemeanor breaking or entering. The Honorable A. Robinson Hassell sentenced Early to 45 days in jail, suspended, with 18 months of probation.

Robert Strickland, age 29, entered a guilty plea prior to his trial. Strickland pled guilty to possession of a stolen motor vehicle. The Honorable A. Robinson Hassell sentenced Strickland to 8-10 months in prison, suspended, with a 45 day active sentence followed by 36 months of probation.

Anquabious Wade, age 20, entered a guilty plea prior to his trial. Wade pled guilty to breaking or entering a motor vehicle and resisting a public officer. The Honorable A. Robinson Hassell sentenced Wade to 3-4 months in prison, suspended, with 24 months probation.

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Gilbert Roseboro, age 46, entered a guilty plea prior to his trial. Roseboro pled guilty to possession of a stolen motor vehicle and admitted his status as a habitual felon. The Honorable A. Robinson Hassell sentenced Roseboro to 107-138 months in NC DOC.

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