

NEWS RELEASE

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14 sent to prison after pleading guilty with DA's Habitual Felon Team

On Tuesday, April 27, Wednesday, April 28, and Friday, April 30, the Habitual Felon Team held administrative court in courtroom 5310. The Honorable Alan Z. Thornburg, Superior Court Judge, presided on Tuesday and Wednesday, and The Honorable Linwood O. Foust, Superior Court Judge, presided on Friday. Fourteen defendants pled guilty to felonies and all of them received active prison sentences; among them were:

Philippe Anthony, 22, pled guilty to 1) breaking or entering a motor vehicle and 2) being a habitual felon. Anthony was sentenced to 60-81 months in prison.

William Baldwin, 32, pled guilty to 1) two counts of possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine and 2) being a habitual felon. Baldwin was sentenced to 70-93 months in prison.

Michael Horne, 31, pled guilty to 1) sale of cocaine, 2) possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine, 3) possession with intent to sell or deliver marijuana, and 4) maintaining a vehicle to keep or sell controlled substances. Horne was sentenced to 45-56 months in prison.

Marquis Faulkner, 32, pled guilty to 1) possession of cocaine and 2) being a habitual felon. Faulkner was sentenced to 70-93 months in prison.

Henry Weldon, 38, pled guilty to possession of cocaine with the intent to sell or deliver it within 1000 feet of a school. Weldon was sentenced to 42-60 months in prison.

Jon Busch, 47, pled guilty to three counts of breaking or entering and was sentenced to 75-90 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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