

NEWS RELEASE

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Crimes Against Persons Team convicts 45 violent felons

Forty-five defendants pled guilty to violent felony crimes in Mecklenburg County Superior Court from Monday, September 27, to Friday, October 1, 2010. The defendants entered their pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Yvonne Mims Evans, Superior Court Judge. The convictions were for crimes that included armed robbery, assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury, child sex offenses, rape, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Based on the structured sentencing laws in North Carolina, sentences ranged from probation to fifteen years in prison; some of them included:

Edward McVey, Jr., (38) was convicted of second degree rape of a child and was sentenced to 90-117 months in prison.

John Foster (42) was convicted of common law robbery and was sentenced to 19-23 months in prison.

Luis Gomez-Cantor (22) was convicted of second degree rape of a child and was sentenced to 58-97 months in prison.

Jason Mera-Tubay (21) was convicted of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and was sentenced to 25-39 months in prison suspended for 36 months supervised probation with 270 days in jail.

Anthony Ferguson (20) was convicted of two counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, two counts of attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon, common law robbery and possession of a stolen motor vehicle; Ferguson was sentenced to 136-182 months in prison.

Antonio Meadows (27) was convicted of robbery with a dangerous weapon and he admitted his status as a habitual felon; Meadows was sentenced to 93-121 months in prison.

Taquarius Mobley (20) was convicted of attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon and conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon and was sentenced to 46-65 months in prison.

Iyesha Brown (29) was convicted of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and was sentenced to 25-39 months in prison suspended for 36 months supervised probation with 90 days in jail.

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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