

NEWS RELEASE

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Domestic Violence Team tries 1 defendant; convicts 9 others

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Over the course of two weeks, the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Domestic Violence Team tried one defendant and convicted nine others. On February 4, 2015, five defendants entered guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge. The following week, one defendant was tried and four others were convicted of domestic violence crimes in courtroom 5370 before The Honorable Robert T. Sumner, Superior Court Judge.

Among the five defendants who pled guilty on February 4, 2015, were:

Otheo Boss, 36, pled guilty to 1) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Boss was sentenced to 33-52 months in prison.

Richard Murray, 18, pled guilty to 1) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and 2) two counts of assault on a female. Murray was sentenced to 23-40 months in prison.

Clarence Young, 54, pled guilty to assault by strangulation. Young was sentenced to 20-33 months in prison.

The following cases were prosecuted during the week of February 9, 2015:

Marcos Rodriquez, 23, was tried for 1) assault by strangulation, 2) assault on a female and 3) false imprisonment. The jury returned a verdict of *not guilty*.

Horace Ivey, 32, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Ivey was sentenced to 15-27 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 30 months of supervised probation.

David Sturdivant, 24, pled guilty to habitual misdemeanor assault. Sturdivant was sentenced to 20-33 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 30 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, he must serve 30 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

Kirby Rabb, 25, pled guilty to two counts of violating a domestic violence protective order. Rabb was sentenced to 150 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 12 months of supervised probation.

In addition to felony cases, the Domestic Violence Team also prosecutes cases in which the defendant was convicted in District Court and then appealed his or her conviction to Superior Court for a jury trial, as allowed under North Carolina law. When called for trial for assault on a female, Matthew Streat, 23, remanded his case to District Court for sentencing. Streat was sentenced to 75 days in the Mecklenburg County jail; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 18 months of supervised probation.

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