

NEWS RELEASE

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Man sentenced to life in prison for 2007 murder

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Today, a jury found Michael Crowder, 36, guilty in connection with the 2007 murder of Aaron Shawn Wood, 31. The trial began February 20, 2013, in Mecklenburg County Superior Court before The Honorable C. Thomas Edwards, Superior Court Judge.

Crowder was tried for first-degree murder. After deliberating for less than two hours, the jury returned a verdict of *guilty* as charged.

Judge Edwards sentenced Crowder to *life in prison without the possibility of parole*.

In March 2007, Mr. Wood was fatally shot in a drug-related incident as he sat in his vehicle on Greenview Place in Charlotte. Cell phone records led police to Crowder, who was charged in 2010.



Michael Crowder

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