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## **DA's Drug Prosecution Team tries 2 defendants, 11 plead guilty**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The DA's Drug Prosecution Team tried two defendants the week of March 12, 2012, in Mecklenburg County Superior Court. The trials were held in courtrooms 5370 and 5150.

Raul Oliveros, 27, was tried for trafficking in heroin. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty*. The Honorable Yvonne Mims Evans, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Oliveros to 90-112 months in prison.

Shekita Stroud, 33, was tried for 1) possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine 2) deliver cocaine and 3) conspiracy to sell cocaine. The jury returned a verdict of *not guilty* on all counts.

Kenneth Fuller, 28, filed a motion to suppress evidence seized by law enforcement, alleging violations of his legal rights. After hearing testimony and arguments from the defense and the Assistant District Attorney, The Honorable Robert T. Sumner denied the defendant's motion. The case will proceed to trial at a later date.

Brandon Lindsey, 30, filed a motion to suppress evidence seized by law enforcement, alleging violations of his legal rights. After hearing testimony and arguments from the defense and the Assistant District Attorney, Judge Sumner denied the defendant's motion. The case will proceed to trial at a later date.

James Glover, 22, filed a motion to suppress evidence seized by law enforcement, alleging violations of his legal rights. After hearing testimony and arguments from the defense and the Assistant District Attorney, Judge Evans denied the defendant's motion. The case will proceed to trial at a later date.

Eleven defendants pled guilty before their cases were called for trial. Based on the structured sentencing laws in North Carolina, sentences ranged from probation to Mandy Byrd's active prison sentence of 8 to 10 months for attempted trafficking in cocaine.

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