

# NEWS RELEASE

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## **Man who robbed hospital employee at gunpoint is sent to prison**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Lejarris Williams, 31, pled guilty today to robbery with a dangerous weapon. Williams entered his plea in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Linwood O. Foust, Superior Court Judge.

Judge Foust sentenced Williams to 51-74 months in prison.

On July 17, 2012, an employee at Presbyterian Orthopaedic Hospital in Charlotte was leaving work and walking to her vehicle in a nearby parking deck. When she was in the parking deck elevator, Williams held the door open, pointed a gun at her and demanded her purse.

The victim ran back into the hospital and called for help. Soon, hospital security guards spotted a man, identified as Williams, who matched the description of the armed robber. Williams was found holding the victim's purse. A handgun was in his pocket.



**Lejarris Williams**

*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](http://www.charmeckda.com).*

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