

NEWS RELEASE

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Jury finds man guilty of break-in; 8 plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – During the week of March 18, 2019, the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Crimes Against Property Team convicted nine defendants in Superior Court. One defendant was tried before a jury, and eight others pled guilty before their matters were called for trial. The proceedings were held before The Honorable Forrest D. Bridges, The Honorable Jesse B. Caldwell, III, and The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judges.

Chance Patterson, 18, was tried for 1) felony breaking or entering, 2) larceny after breaking or entering and 3) conspiracy to commit breaking or entering. The jury found him *guilty* as charged. Judge Caldwell sentenced Patterson to a total of 10-30 months in prison. In August 2017, Patterson and two others broke into the victim's home in the middle of the day and stole multiple electronics. The break-in was captured on the victim's home surveillance video.

Jamal McCullough, 26, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) larceny after breaking or entering. Judge Bridges sentenced him to 8-19 months in prison.

Ashley Jones, 33, pled guilty to obtaining property by false pretenses. She also admitted to violating her probation for a prior offense. Judge Bridges sentenced her to 8-19 months in prison.

Gregory Ragland, 52, pled guilty to 1) possession of burglary tools and 2) felony larceny. Judge Bridges sentenced him to 9-20 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Ragland must serve 90 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

Peter Evans, 37, pled guilty to three counts of breaking or entering a motor vehicle. Judge Bell sentenced him to 6-17 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Evans must serve 30 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

Leernest Wells, 23, pled guilty to 1) possession of a stolen firearm and 2) misdemeanor carrying a concealed gun. Judge Bridges sentenced him to 6-17 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 30 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Wells must serve 8 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

Malik Lewis, 22, pled guilty to 1) breaking or entering a motor vehicle and 2) misdemeanor carrying a concealed gun. He was sentenced to 6-17 in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation.

Shaneka Davis, 39, pled guilty to larceny by employee. She was sentenced to 5-15 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending her successful completion of 12 months of supervised probation.

Rashad Darrisaw, 28, pled guilty to possession of a stolen motor vehicle. He was sentenced to 6-17 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation.

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