

NEWS RELEASE

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Juries convict armed robber, felon with gun; 4 others plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Mecklenburg County juries convicted an armed robber and a convicted felon in illegal possession of a firearm during the Crimes Against Persons Team's recent trial session, which was held March 20-30, 2017. Another four defendants entered guilty pleas. 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.

Anthony Chisholm, 24, was tried for 1) four counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, 2) attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon and 3) five counts of conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. The jury found Chisholm *guilty* of three counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon and four counts of conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. The jury found him *not guilty* of one robbery offense and one conspiracy offense. Judge Bridges sentenced Chisholm to a total of 180-252 months in prison. He was also sentenced to an additional 58-94 months in prison; this additional sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 30 months of supervised probation. Chisholm was ordered to serve these sentences at the expiration of the prison sentence he is currently serving in South Carolina.

Sydney Shakur Mercer, 19, was tried for 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) two counts of assault with a deadly weapon with the intent to kill. The jury found him *guilty* of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and *not guilty* of the assault offenses. Mercer will be sentenced at a later date.

Shaye Dupree, 43, pled guilty to first-degree sex offense with a child. Judge Bell sentenced him to 192-291 months in prison. Upon his release from prison, Dupree must register as a sex offender and participate in satellite-based monitoring for the rest of his life.

Cedric Anderson, 18, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, 2) misdemeanor carrying a concealed gun, 3) possession of a handgun by a minor and 4) resisting a public officer. Judge Caldwell sentenced Anderson to 12-24 months in prison.

Malik Karim Yesher-El, 23, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, 2) misdemeanor carrying a concealed gun, 3) misdemeanor possession of marijuana and 4) resisting a public officer. Judge Bridges sentenced Yesher-El to 13-25 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 30 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Yesher-El must serve 6 months in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

Shavaras Daniels, 38, pled guilty to 1) felony hit and run causing injury. Judge Caldwell sentenced Daniels 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, Daniels must wear an electronic monitor for 3 months.

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