

NEWS RELEASE

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16 defendants convicted of property crimes

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Sixteen defendants pled guilty to property crimes in Mecklenburg County Superior Court during the week of March 27, 2017. The defendants, who were prosecuted by the District Attorney's Crimes Against Property Team, entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Robert T. Sumner, Superior Court Judge. The convictions were for crimes such as identity theft, felony breaking or entering, larceny of a firearm, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and felony larceny.

Among the defendants who were convicted and sent to prison were:

Riley Monroe, 47, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) larceny after breaking or entering. Monroe was sentenced to a total of 22-46 months in prison. In September 2014, Charlotte-Mecklenburg police responded to an alarm call for service at a business. When officers arrived, they saw seven cinder blocks stacked under a broken window at the back of the building. During their investigation of the break-in, police determined the broken window to be the point of entry. Fresh blood was found on the window, and an analysis of the blood sample found that the DNA matched that of Monroe.

Arthur Quee, 37, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Quee was sentenced to 14-26 months in prison.

Demarco Threatt, 18, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) three counts of breaking or entering a motor vehicle. Threatt was sentenced to 8-19 months in prison.

Phiedel Tukes, 17, pled guilty to larceny of a motor vehicle. Tukes was sentenced to 8-19 months in prison.

Alec Foster, 20, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering, 2) larceny after breaking or entering and 3) three counts of breaking or entering a motor vehicle. Foster was sentenced to 6-17 months in prison.

Jose Ayala, 19, pled guilty to 1) five counts of felony breaking or entering and 2) four counts of larceny after breaking or entering. Ayala was sentenced to 6-17 months in prison.

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.

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