

NEWS RELEASE

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Juries convict robber, man who sexually assaulted a 13-year-old girl

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – A man who sexually assaulted a 13-year-old girl and a man who committed a robbery were sent to prison after they were convicted by juries during the most recent trial session led by the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Crimes Against Persons Team. Another three defendants pled guilty before their cases were called for trial. The proceedings, which occurred April 18-26, 2016, were held before The Honorable Stanley Allen and The Honorable Hugh B. Lewis, Superior Court Judges.

Charles Augustus Shore, Jr., 43, was tried for 1) three counts of statutory rape, 2) statutory sex offense and 3) four counts of indecent liberties with a child. In order to pursue charges best supported by the testimony presented at trial, the State dismissed one count of statutory rape and one count of indecent liberties with a child at the close of the State's evidence. The jury then found Shore *guilty* of one count of statutory rape, statutory sex offense and three counts of indecent liberties with a child. The jury found him *not guilty* of one count of statutory rape. Judge Allen sentenced Shore to two consecutive sentences of 144-233 months in prison, totaling a minimum of 24 years in prison. Shore, a close friend of the victim's family, sexually assaulted the 13-year-old victim twice in February 2014. The victim disclosed the assaults after her father discovered text messages between his daughter and Shore that implied an inappropriate relationship may exist.

Darne Brown, 26, was tried for 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon, 2) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon and 3) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. The jury found him *guilty* of the lesser-included offense of common law robbery and *not guilty* of conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Lewis sentenced Brown to 21-35 months in prison.

Nafife Jainlett, 30, was tried for common law robbery. The jury found him *not guilty*.

David Muse, 27, pled guilty to common law robbery. Judge Lewis sentenced Muse to 13-25 months in prison.

Romar Bartee, 20, pled guilty to larceny from the person. Judge Lewis sentenced Bartee to 7-18 months in prison.

James Sackett, 52, pled guilty to attempted presence of a sex offender on the premises of a place intended primarily for the use, care or supervision of minors. Judge Lewis sentenced Sackett to 6-17 months in prison.

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