

NEWS RELEASE

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55 plead guilty to drug crimes in Superior Court

CHARLOTTE, NC – Beginning May 23, 2011, and ending May 27, 2011, the DA's Drug Prosecution Team convicted fifty-five (55) defendants in Courtroom 5350 of the Mecklenburg County Courthouse. The Honorable Hugh B. Lewis, Superior Court Judge, presided. Based on the structured sentencing laws in North Carolina, sentences ranged from probation to active prison time.

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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