

NEWS RELEASE

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Man sentenced to 186-242 months in prison for 2010 murder

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Today, Vernon Carlton Davis, 23, pled guilty to the 2010 murder of Jonathan Jackson, 24, and the shooting of another man. Davis entered his guilty plea in courtroom 5370 before The Honorable Lisa C. Bell, Superior Court Judge.

Davis pled guilty to 1) second-degree murder and 2) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Judge Bell sentenced him to 160-201 months in prison for the murder offense and an additional 26-41 months in prison for the assault offense. The sentences will run consecutively for a total of 186-242 months in prison.

In August 2010, Davis was involved in a confrontation at a home on Grimes Street in Charlotte that was being used as a liquor house. Other parties involved in the confrontation, which included Mr. Jackson's brother, were walking away when Mr. Jackson confronted Davis about comments that had been made. Davis then pulled out a gun and fatally shot Mr. Jackson in the chest. Davis also shot a second victim, a 28-year-old man, in the leg as he tried to escape.



Vernon Davis

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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