

# NEWS RELEASE

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## **Homicide Team: Quarterly Report for April-June, 2012**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Nine defendants were convicted in homicide cases during the months of April, May, and June, 2012:

### **April 5, 2012**

Before the Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge:

Shanelle Boetius, 24, pled guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon in connection with the 2011 killing of Isaac Rodriguez, 21. Boetius was sentenced to 24-38 months in prison.

Christopher Durant, 34, pled guilty to 1) second-degree murder and 2) felony child abuse for the 2011 killing of his four-month-old son, Canell Durant. Durant was sentenced to 261-332 months in prison.

### **April 17, 2012**

Michael Leon King, 21, was tried for first-degree murder for the 2010 murder of Jared Bolli, 25. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty* as charged. The Honorable Yvonne Mims Evans, Superior Court Judge, sentenced King to *life in prison without the possibility of parole*.

### **April 26, 2012**

Jeremy Jackman, 23, pled guilty to 1) second-degree murder and 2) attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon for the 2011 murder and attempted robbery of Isaac Rodriguez, 21. The Honorable Yvonne Mims Evans, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Jackman to 270-342 months in prison.

**May 2, 2012**

Desmond Singleton, 22, pled guilty to involuntary manslaughter for the 2011 killing of Brandon Davis, 22. The Honorable Robert T. Sumner, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Singleton to 44-62 months in prison.

**June 4, 2012**

Demarius Massey, 31, was tried for 1) first-degree murder, 2) robbery with a dangerous weapon, and 3) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon for the 2009 murder of Kelvin Bell, 34. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty* as to the conspiracy charge but was unable to reach unanimous verdicts as to the murder and robbery charges. The Honorable Jesse B. Caldwell, III, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Massey to 44-65 months in prison for the conspiracy conviction.

**June 8, 2012**

Michael Neal Harvey, 37, pled guilty to 1) involuntary manslaughter and 2) concealing a death for the 2010 death of Valerie Hamilton, 23. Harvey also admitted being an habitual felon. The Honorable Hugh B. Lewis, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Harvey to 87-114 months in prison.

**June 13, 2012**

Ronald Tolson, 26, was tried for first-degree murder for the 2009 murder of Markus Foster, 25. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty* to the charge of second-degree murder. The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Tolson to 180-225 months in prison.

**June 25, 2012**

Scott Edwin Davis, 50, pled guilty to 1) two counts of first-degree murder and 2) one count of attempted first-degree murder for the 2008 murders of Gabrielle Kinard, 38, and her son Anjelo Kinard, 18, and the attempted murder of Gabrielle Kinard's 15-year-old daughter. The Honorable Eric L. Levinson, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Davis to two consecutive sentences of *life in prison without the possibility of parole* plus an additional 157-198 months in prison.

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