

NEWS RELEASE

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6 defendants convicted of domestic violence offenses

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Over the course of two weeks, six defendants were convicted of domestic violence crimes in Mecklenburg County Superior Court. The District Attorney's Domestic Violence Team prosecuted cases during the week of June 15, 2015, before The Honorable Eric C. Morgan and The Honorable Daniel A. Kuehnert, Superior Court Judges. Then, during the week of June 29, 2015, defendants entered guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge.

Deandrea Ingram, 23, was tried for assault on a female. The jury found the defendant *guilty* as charged. Judge Morgan sentenced Ingram to 60 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail. The case was prosecuted by a Union County Assistant District Attorney because two Mecklenburg County prosecutors witnessed the assault and testified during the trial.

Zach Morrow, 21, was tried for assault on a female. The jury found Morrow *not guilty*.

Ricardo Pratt, 49, pled guilty to assault by strangulation. Pratt was sentenced to 25-39 months in prison.

Marvin Harrison, 26, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) misdemeanor breaking or entering. Harrison was sentenced to 17-30 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Harrison must serve 170 days in the Mecklenburg County jail and complete a certified intervention program for batterers.

Michael Mills, 19, pled guilty to assault inflicting serious bodily injury. Mills was sentenced to 13-25 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending Mills' successful completion of 36 months of supervised probation. As conditions of his probation, Mills must complete a certified intervention program for batterers and wear an electronic monitor for the first six months of his probation.

Marco Wigfall, 29, pled guilty to assault on a female. Wigfall was sentenced to 147 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

Datari Cathey, 26, pled guilty 1) larceny from the person and 2) assault on a female. Cathey was sentenced to 6-17 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending Cathey's successful completion of 18 months of supervised probation.

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