

NEWS RELEASE

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Habitual Felon Team tries 2 defendants; 2 others plead guilty when called for trial

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Two defendants, including a habitual felon who was convicted of common law robbery, were tried by the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team during the week of July 11, 2016. Another two defendants pled guilty when their cases were called for trial. These proceedings were held in courtrooms 5370 and 5130 before The Honorable W. David Lee and The Honorable Robert T. Sumner, Superior Court Judges.

Jonathan Andre Ramsey, 27, was tried for 1) common law robbery, 2) conspiracy to commit common law robbery and 3) being a habitual felon. Judge Lee dismissed the conspiracy charge at the close of the State's evidence, and the jury found Ramsey *guilty* of common law robbery. Upon the guilty verdict, Ramsey admitted his status as a habitual felon. Judge Lee sentenced Ramsey to 88-118 months in prison. Some of Ramsey's prior convictions include common law robbery, attempted common law robbery and multiple counts of felony breaking or entering.

Kenneth Clyburn, 46, was tried for 1) breaking or entering a motor vehicle, 2) misdemeanor larceny, 3) possession of drug paraphernalia and 4) being a habitual felon. A jury found Clyburn *not guilty*. The State was unable to proceed on the habitual felon indictment due to the jury's verdict.

Dennis Jerome Brown, 35, pled guilty to 1) four counts of obtaining property by false pretenses, 2) four counts of identity theft and 3) being a habitual felon. Judge Sumner sentenced Brown to 117-153 months in prison. He was also sentenced to an additional 20-33 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. Some of Brown's prior convictions include multiple counts of identity theft, multiple counts of obtaining property by false pretenses, felony breaking or entering and financial transaction card fraud.

Stefon Kadeem Boatwright, 25, pled guilty to 1) conspiracy to commit common law robbery and 2) selling marijuana. Judge Lee sentenced Boatwright to 8-19 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, he must serve 30 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

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