

NEWS RELEASE

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13 sent to prison by DA's Habitual Felon Team

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Over the course of a week, the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team convicted 16 defendants in Mecklenburg County Superior Court. Thirteen of those defendants were sent to prison; some were not habitual felons under North Carolina law. The defendants entered their guilty pleas during the week of July 21, 2014, in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Robert C. Ervin, Superior Court Judge.

Among those convicted were:

Jason Travis, 32, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) being a habitual felon. Travis was sentenced to 67-93 months in prison. In addition to other prior convictions, Fuller has multiple convictions for breaking or entering.

Antonio Wilson, 38, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering, 2) larceny after breaking or entering and 3) being a habitual felon. Wilson was sentenced to 58-82 months in prison. Some of Wilson's prior convictions include two counts of breaking or entering a motor vehicle.

Earl Fields, 49, pled guilty to 1) felony larceny, 2) felony hit and run and 3) assault on a government official. Fields was sentenced to 26-41 months in prison.

Lewis Lineberger, 50, pled guilty to common law robbery. Lineberger was sentenced to 25-39 months in prison.

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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