

NEWS RELEASE

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Heroin trafficker among habitual felons sent to prison

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team convicted 21 defendants during the week of July 27, 2015. The defendants, who pled guilty to crimes such as trafficking in heroin and breaking or entering, entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Hugh B. Lewis, Superior Court Judge. Fourteen of those defendants were sent to prison.

Among those convicted and sent to prison were:

Tony Douglas Miller, 46, pled guilty to 1) three counts of trafficking in heroin by sale and 2) being a habitual felon. Miller was sentenced to 127-165 months in prison. As part of an undercover operation, Charlotte-Mecklenburg police purchased more than 300 heroin capsules from Miller in November and December 2014, capturing those transactions on video. Miller was arrested after selling 140 heroin capsules to officers for \$1,800 on December 5, 2014. Some of Miller's prior convictions include common law robbery, robbery with a dangerous weapon and assault on a law enforcement official with a firearm.

Gregory Dernard Ware, 46, pled guilty to 1) felony possession of stolen goods, 2) felony conspiracy to commit breaking or entering and 3) being a habitual felon. Ware was sentenced to 77-105 months in prison. Some of Ware's prior convictions include felony breaking or entering, possession of burglary tools and possession of a stolen vehicle.

Frederick Eugene Roseboro, 59, pled guilty to 1) two counts of breaking or entering a motor vehicle and 2) being a habitual felon. Roseboro was sentenced to 50-72 months in prison. Some of Roseboro's prior convictions include 17 prior convictions for breaking or entering a motor vehicle and three prior convictions for being a habitual felon.

Xavia Lamont Scott, 40, pled guilty to 1) possession of a schedule II controlled substance, 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 3) being a habitual felon. Scott was sentenced to 38-58 months in prison. Some of Scott's prior convictions include robbery with a dangerous weapon, common law robbery and possession of a stolen motor vehicle.

Brandon Hampton, 28, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) being a habitual breaking or entering status offender. Hampton was sentenced to 38-58 months in prison. Some of Hampton's prior convictions include felony breaking or entering, possession of a stolen motor vehicle and possession of cocaine.

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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