

# NEWS RELEASE

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## 26 defendants convicted of property crimes

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Twenty-six defendants pled guilty to property crimes in Mecklenburg County Superior Court August 4-8, 2014. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Eric L. Levinson, Superior Court Judge. The convictions were for crimes that included breaking or entering, larceny after breaking or entering, obtaining property by false pretenses, and breaking or entering motor vehicles. Based on the structured sentencing laws in North Carolina, sentences ranged from probation to active prison sentences.

Among the defendants who were convicted and sent to prison were:

Evan Boye, 20, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering, 2) felony larceny, 3) felony possession of stolen goods and 4) being a habitual breaking or entering status offender. Judge Levinson sentenced Boye to 19-35 months in prison and ordered him to pay \$484 in restitution.

Luther Price, 36, pled guilty to two counts of felony larceny. Price was sentenced to 12-24 months in prison.

Andrew Crawford, 20, pled guilty to possession of a stolen motor vehicle. Crawford was sentenced to 9-20 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](http://www.charmeckda.com).*

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