

NEWS RELEASE

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DA's Habitual Felon Team sends 13 defendants to prison

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team convicted 17 defendants during the week of August 22, 2016. Thirteen of those defendants were sent to prison. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge.

Among those convicted were:

Shun Kenyatta Johnson, 41, pled guilty to 1) two counts of felony breaking or entering, 2) two counts of larceny after breaking or entering and 3) being a habitual felon. Johnson was sentenced to 128-166 months in prison. Some of Johnson's prior convictions include delivery of cocaine and multiple counts of breaking or entering and larceny after breaking or entering.

James Elliott Dixon, 49, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering, 2) larceny after breaking or entering and 3) being a habitual felon. Dixon was sentenced to 77-105 months in prison. Some of Dixon's prior convictions include possession of cocaine and multiple counts of selling cocaine.

Bryan Jabbari Thompson, 34, pled guilty to 1) attempted trafficking in methamphetamine, 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, 3) felony possession of marijuana and 4) being a habitual felon. Thompson was sentenced to 70-96 months in prison. Thompson's prior convictions include possession of cocaine, possession with the intent to sell or deliver marijuana and trafficking in MDA/MDMA.

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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