

NEWS RELEASE

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Man convicted for felony drug offense, sentencing as habitual felon forthcoming

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The DA's Drug Prosecution Team prosecuted three defendants the week of September 6, 2011, in Mecklenburg County Superior Court. One case was called for trial and two defendants entered guilty pleas in front of the Honorable James W. Morgan.

Andre Mobley, 43, was tried for 1) possession of cocaine and 2) being a habitual felon. The jury returned verdicts of *guilty* as charged. Mobley, who was out on bond during the trial, did not return to court when the verdicts were read. Judge Morgan issued an order for his arrest and ordered that Mobley be held without bond until he is sentenced.

Two defendants pled guilty before their cases were called for trial.

James Goard, 38, pled guilty to possession of drug paraphernalia. Judge Morgan sentenced him to 45 days in the county jail; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 18 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Goard cannot seek to have his NC State Bar license re-instated during that time.

Mykel Gaddy, 21, pled guilty to possession of ecstasy. Judge Morgan sentenced him to 3-4 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 12 months of supervised probation.

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