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## NEWS RELEASE

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## DA's Crimes Against Persons Team convicts 33 defendants

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Thirty-three defendants entered guilty pleas in Mecklenburg County Superior Court during the week of September 28, 2015. The defendants were prosecuted by the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Crimes Against Persons Team. The proceedings were held in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Yvonne Mims Evans and The Honorable Jesse B. Caldwell, Superior Court Judges.

Among those convicted and sent to prison were:

Elijah Hallman, 26, pled guilty to 1) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Hallman was sentenced to 26-44 months in prison.

Khyree Peters, 18, pled guilty to 1) two counts of conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon, 2) felony breaking or entering and 3) larceny after breaking or entering. Peters was sentenced to 19-35 months in prison.

Aaron Alexander, 22, pled guilty to indecent liberties with a child. Alexander was sentenced to 13-25 months in prison. Upon his release from prison, Alexander must register as a sex offender for 30 years.

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 <a href="https://www.charmeckda.com">www.charmeckda.com</a>.

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