

# NEWS RELEASE

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## DA's Crimes Against Property Team convicts 1 at trial; 7 others plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Crimes Against Property Team convicted one defendant at trial, as well as seven others who pled guilty, October 7-11, 2013, in Mecklenburg County Superior Court. The proceedings were held before The Honorable Yvonne Mims Evans and The Honorable C. Thomas Edwards, Superior Court Judges. During the course of the week, the Crimes Against Property team also assisted the District Attorney's Domestic Violence Team in prosecuting domestic violence appeals.

Karlon Grant, 23, was tried for 1) felony breaking or entering a motor vehicle and 2) misdemeanor larceny. The jury found him *guilty* as charged. Judge Evans sentenced Grant to 4-5 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 12 months of supervised probation. In September 2011, the victim looked out the window of his home and saw Grant standing next to the victim's car. The victim then called 911, providing a description of Grant and the direction in which he was going. When officers arrived and approached Grant, the victim's GPS fell from underneath Grant's shirt. The GPS was recovered by police and identified by the victim as his property.

Among the seven other defendants who pled guilty before their cases were called for trial were:

Prentice Allen, 19, pled guilty to 1) common law robbery, 2) felony breaking or entering, 3) larceny and 4) being a habitual breaking or entering status offender. Judge Edwards sentenced Allen to 23-40 months in prison.

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