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## **Violent Crimes Team convicts 26 defendants**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Violent Crimes Team convicted 26 defendants during the week of November 5, 2018. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5310 before The Honorable David A. Phillips, Superior Court Judge.

Among those convicted were:

Brandon Martin, 19, pled guilty to 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) breaking or entering a motor vehicle. Martin was sentenced to 59-83 months in prison.

Deondre Walker, 24, pled guilty to three counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon. Walker was sentenced to 50-72 months in prison.

Malachi Anthony, 18, pled guilty to 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) felony breaking or entering. Anthony was sentenced to 48-70 months in prison.

Alex Mhretab, 23, pled guilty to 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) felony possession of stolen goods. Mhretab was sentenced to 45-66 months in prison.

William Allison, 18, pled guilty to three counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon. Allison was sentenced to 44-65 months in prison.

Andrew Johnson, 18, pled guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. Johnson was sentenced to 24-44 months in prison.

Diamond Rodriguez, 31, pled guilty to three counts of malicious conduct by a prisoner. She also admitted to a probation violation for a prior offense. Rodriguez was sentenced to 17-30 months in prison, which is to be served concurrently with a 21-35 month sentence for the probation violation.

*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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