

# NEWS RELEASE

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## **30 defendants convicted of property crimes**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Thirty defendants pled guilty to property crimes in Mecklenburg County Superior Court during the week of November 7, 2016. The defendants, who were prosecuted by the District Attorney's Crimes Against Property Team, entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Robert C. Ervin and The Honorable Carla N. Archie, Superior Court Judges. The convictions were for crimes that included breaking or entering, possession of a stolen motor vehicle, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, financial transaction card theft and identity theft.

Among the defendants convicted were:

Shari Harris, 18, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering. Judge Ervin sentenced Harris to 7-18 months in prison. In June 2016, the victim was at her Charlotte apartment with her son, who was sick. She was in his bedroom when the door suddenly opened and two men entered the room. In fear, she put her head down, told the men to take whatever they wanted and urged them not to hurt her or her son. For the next five to 10 minutes, she heard them gathering items from around her apartment. Crime scene officers who responded to the scene were able to collect fingerprints from a television, which was located above a gaming console that had been stolen. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Crime Lab matched those fingerprints to Harris.

Anthony Robinson, 28, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) misdemeanor carrying a concealed weapon. Judge Ervin sentenced Robinson to 13-25 months in prison.

Unique Glover, 19, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering, and he admitted to violating his probation for a previous conviction. Judge Ervin sentenced Glover to a total of 12-34 months in prison.

Kenneth Edwards, 20, pled guilty to 1) two counts of breaking or entering a motor vehicle and 2) misdemeanor financial transaction card fraud. Judge Ervin sentenced Edwards to 5-15 months in prison.

Wardaja Staton, 19, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering. Judge Ervin sentenced Staton to 4-14 months in prison.

*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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