

NEWS RELEASE

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Crimes Against Persons Team tries 1 defendant; 40 plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Over the course of two weeks, the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Crimes Against Persons Team tried one defendant and convicted 40 others who entered guilty pleas.

The trial was held November 28-December 9, 2016, in courtroom 5130 before The Honorable Forrest D. Bridges, Superior Court Judge. Terrance Gresham, 37, was tried for 1) two counts of sex offense in a parental role, 2) two counts of statutory sex offense and 3) two counts of indecent liberties with a child. The jury could not reach a unanimous verdict on one count of indecent liberties with a child, and as a result, Judge Bridges declared a mistrial as to that charge. The jury returned verdicts of *not guilty* on the remaining charges.

During the week of December 5, 2016, 40 defendants pled guilty in Mecklenburg County Superior Court. The Crimes Against Persons Team led those proceedings in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Yvonne Mims Evans, Superior Court Judge. Among those convicted were:

Aaron Stephen Turner, 33, pled guilty to seven counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon. Turner was sentenced to 80-108 months in prison.

Ladarius Moore, 19, pled guilty to 1) assault with a deadly weapon with the intent to kill inflicting serious injury and 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Moore was sentenced to 67-93 months in prison.

Armunde Cuff, 18, pled guilty to 1) six counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, 2) attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon and 3) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Cuff was sentenced to 64-89 months in prison.

Charlie Moore, 25, pled guilty to robbery with a dangerous weapon. Moore was sentenced to 60-84 months in prison.

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