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## **Jury convicts man of grocery store robbery; 5 plead guilty**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – A Mecklenburg County jury recently convicted a man of robbing a local grocery store of more than \$4,000. The trial was led by the District Attorney's Violent Crimes Team during the week of January 14, 2019. Five other defendants entered guilty pleas. The proceedings were held in courtrooms 5110, 5170 and 5370 before The Honorable Forrest D. Bridges, The Honorable Donnie Hoover and The Honorable Gregory R. Hayes, Superior Court Judges.

Demarquis Harrison, 29, was tried for 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. The jury found him *guilty* as charged. Judge Hoover sentenced Harrison to 75-102 months in prison. In December 2014, an armed suspect robbed a Food Lion in Charlotte of more than \$4,000 in cash. Charlotte-Mecklenburg police conducted an electronic monitoring scan of the area, and Harrison's electronic monitoring bracelet placed him at the scene during the exact, limited time of the robbery. Detectives obtained a search warrant for Harrison's phone. Data recovered from the cellphone showed Harrison texting about the robbery. Photos on the phone also showed Harrison after the robbery with large sums of cash.

Tray Robinson, 22, was tried for four counts of discharging a firearm into an occupied vehicle in operation. While the jury was deliberating, Robinson decided to enter a guilty plea. He pled guilty to the lesser-included offense of discharging a firearm into an occupied vehicle. Judge Bridges sentenced Robinson to 15-27 months in prison.

Quanticus Rucker, 27, pled guilty to 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. Judge Hoover sentenced Rucker to 58-82 months in prison.

Blake Odom 29, pled guilty to two counts of attempted common law robbery. Judge Bridges sentenced Odom to 13-25 months in prison.

Ebon Moore, 43, pled guilty to assault with a deadly weapon. Judge Hayes sentenced Moore to 75 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation.

Daquan Sanders, 18, pled guilty to 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon, 2) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon, 3) three counts of felony breaking or entering, 4) three counts of felony larceny and 5) attempted felony breaking or entering. Judge Bridges sentenced Sanders to 52-75 months in prison. He was also sentenced to an additional 12-34

months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation.

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