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Habitual Felon Team sends 13 defendants to prison

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team convicted 16 defendants during the week of January 22, 2019. Thirteen of those defendants were sent to prison. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5310 before The Honorable Gregory R. Hayes and The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judges. The Mecklenburg County Courthouse was closed on January 21, 2019, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Among those convicted were:

Tony Leslie, 42, pled guilty to 1) three counts of first-degree burglary and 2) being a habitual felon. Leslie was sentenced to 120-156 months in prison. Leslie's prior convictions include two counts of first-degree burglary and second-degree burglary.

Artemidorus Miller, 40, pled guilty to 1) trafficking in cocaine by possession and 2) being a habitual felon. Miller was sentenced to 78-106 months in prison. Miller's prior convictions include possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, possession with the intent to sell or deliver cocaine and felony possession of cocaine.

Anthony Lucas, 45, pled guilty to 1) two counts of felony breaking or entering and 2) being a habitual felon. Lucas was sentenced to 67-93 months in prison. Lucas' prior convictions include three counts of felony breaking or entering.

Montario Simpson, 27, pled guilty to 1) assault with a deadly weapon with the intent to kill inflicting serious injury, 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 3) being a habitual felon. Simpson was sentenced to 60-84 months in prison. Simpson's prior convictions include common law robbery, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and malicious conduct by a prisoner.

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