

NEWS RELEASE

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Domestic violence offender pleads guilty mid-trial; 4 others also convicted

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – During the week of January 29, 2018, the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Special Victims Team convicted five defendants in Superior Court. The proceedings were held before The Honorable Forrest D. Bridges and The Honorable Gregory C. Hayes, Superior Court Judges.

Leroy Edouarzin, 29, was tried for 1) assault with a deadly weapon with the intent to kill, 2) four counts of discharging a firearm within an enclosure to incite fear and 3) assault in the presence of a minor. After five of the State's witnesses testified, Edouarzin pled guilty as charged. Judge Bridges sentenced Edouarzin to a total of 39-69 months in prison; those sentences were suspended pending Edouarzin's successful completion of 30 months of supervised probation. As conditions of his probation, Edouarzin must serve 5 months in the Mecklenburg County Jail, complete a certified intervention program for batterers, wear an electronic monitor for 6 months and pay restitution to the victim.

Kenneth Sumpter, 26, pled guilty to 1) felony failure to appear and 2) being a habitual felon. Judge Bridges sentenced Sumpter to 17-33 months in prison.

Michael Robinson, 61, pled guilty to assault by strangulation. Judge Hayes sentenced Robinson to 16-29 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending Robinson's successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Robinson must complete a certified intervention program for batterers.

Eugene Bloomfield, 41, pled guilty to attempted assault inflicting serious bodily injury. Judge Hayes sentenced Bloomfield to 15-27 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending Bloomfield's successful completion of 12 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Bloomfield must complete a certified intervention program for batterers.

Billy Ray Sullivan, 47, pled guilty to assault on a female. Judge Hayes sentenced Sullivan to 75 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

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