

NEWS RELEASE

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Habitual Felon Team tries 3 defendants; 2 others plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team called cases for trial during the week of February 5, 2018. Three defendants were tried before juries, and another two defendants entered guilty pleas. The proceedings were held in courtrooms 5110 and 5130 before The Honorable Jesse B. Caldwell, III and The Honorable Richard L. Doughton, Superior Court Judges.

Aaron Little, 49, was tried for 1) two counts of common law robbery and 2) being a habitual felon. A jury found Little *guilty* of one count of common law robbery and one count of the lesser-included offense of larceny from the person. Little then admitted his status as a habitual felon. Judge Caldwell sentenced Little to 117-153 months in prison. Little's prior convictions include common law robbery, felony larceny and possession with the intent to sell or deliver cocaine.

Jamil Jaaber, 39, was tried for 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) being a habitual felon. The jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict, and as a result, Judge Doughton declared a mistrial. Jaaber then entered a guilty plea in this case, as well as another case. He pled guilty to 1) two counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, 2) possession of methamphetamine and 3) being a habitual felon. Judge Doughton sentenced Jaaber to 35-54 months in prison. Jaaber's prior convictions include robbery with a dangerous weapon, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and sale or delivery of cocaine.

Terry William Dorsey, 39, was tried for 1) malicious conduct by a prisoner and 2) being a habitual felon. A jury found Dorsey *not guilty* of malicious conduct by a prisoner. As a result of the verdict, the State was unable to proceed on the habitual felon charge.

Isaiah Malachi Fisher, 30, pled guilty to 1) three counts of trafficking in opium or heroin by possession, 2) maintaining a vehicle, dwelling or place for controlled substances, 3) possession of marijuana paraphernalia, 4) trafficking in cocaine by possession and 5) being a habitual felon. Judge Caldwell sentenced Fisher to 75-102 months in prison. Fisher's prior convictions include possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, possession of a schedule I controlled substance and sale of marijuana.

John George Binns, 51, pled guilty to 1) breaking or entering a motor vehicle, 2) financial transaction card theft and 3) being a habitual felon. Judge Caldwell sentenced Binns to 38-58 months in prison. Binns' prior convictions include financial transaction card theft, breaking or entering a motor vehicle and attempted trafficking in heroin.

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