

NEWS RELEASE

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Habitual Felon Team sends 10 defendants to prison

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team convicted 14 defendants during the week of February 10, 2020. Ten of those defendants were sent to prison. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5310 before The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge.

Among those convicted were:

Jessie Crawford, 47, pled guilty to 1) three counts of felony breaking and entering and 2) three counts of being a habitual breaking or entering status offender. Crawford was sentenced to 40-60 months in prison. Crawford's prior convictions include multiple counts of felony breaking or entering and escape from federal custody. On July 16, 2017, Charlotte-Mecklenburg police received a report of a break-in at Rent-A-Wheel on Freedom Drive in Charlotte. Crawford unlawfully entered the business by breaking glass on the front door. Once inside, he stole two sets of rims. Crawford cut himself on the broken glass, and his blood was collected as evidence both inside and outside of the business. On August 8, 2017, Crawford unlawfully entered Carolina Sheet Metal on Enderly Road after business hours by prying away metal around a window. During this break-in, Crawford also cut himself before leaving with a vacuum cleaner. On November 3, 2018, Crawford unlawfully entered the leasing office at Parkway Apartments on Wallace Road by prying the locked door open. Once inside, he stole money and laptops from the office.

Rachell House, 32, pled guilty to trafficking in methamphetamine. House was sentenced to 70-93 months in prison.

Joshua Withers, 38, pled guilty to 1) attempted felony larceny and 2) being a habitual felon. Withers was sentenced to 55-78 months in prison. Withers' prior convictions include felony breaking or entering and multiple counts of possession with the intent to sell or deliver cocaine.

Reginald Weathers, 36, pled guilty to 1) attempted felony larceny, 2) common law robbery and 3) being a habitual felon. Weathers was sentenced to 35-54 months in prison. Weathers' prior convictions include felony larceny, breaking or entering a motor vehicle and robbery with a dangerous weapon.

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