

NEWS RELEASE

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31 defendants convicted by DA's Crimes Against Persons Team

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Over the course of a week, the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Crimes Against Persons Team convicted 31 defendants. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge, during the week of April 6, 2015.

Among those convicted and sent to prison were:

James Grier, 20, pled guilty to two counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, and he admitted that he violated the terms and conditions of his probation for a prior offense. Grier was sentenced to 64-89 months in prison.

Frank Congema, 29, pled guilty to two counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon. Congema was sentenced to 59-83 months in prison.

Tevin Mayweather, 20, pled guilty to 1) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Mayweather was sentenced to 24-41 months in prison.

Note: Almost all guilty pleas entered in criminal administrative court are the result of an agreed upon plea arrangement between the State and the defendant, which is then approved by the sentencing judge. For more information about why most cases must be resolved by plea negotiation instead of jury trial, please visit the "Understanding Criminal Court" section of the DA's website at www.charmeckda.com.

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