

NEWS RELEASE

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Defendant pleads guilty to attempted heroin trafficking

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Drug Team convicted two defendants during the week of May 13, 2019. Both defendants pled guilty before their cases were called for trial. The proceedings were held before The Honorable Jesse B. Caldwell, III, Superior Court Judge.

Dontarious Simpson, 31, pled guilty to attempted trafficking in heroin by possession. Judge Caldwell sentenced Simpson to 12-24 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 30 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Simpson must serve 6 months in prison. In June 2018, Charlotte-Mecklenburg police located more than 4 grams of heroin after stopping Simpson's vehicle.

Troy Jefferson, 27, pled guilty to misdemeanor possession of marijuana. He was ordered to pay a fine.

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