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## **Habitual Felon Team sends 8 defendants to prison**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team convicted nine defendants during the week of June 10, 2019. Eight 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:

James Ledwell, 48, pled guilty to 1) trafficking in opium or heroin by possession and 2) being a habitual felon. Ledwell was sentenced to 88-118 months in prison. Ledwell's prior convictions include two counts of felony larceny and possession of cocaine.

Demario Jenkins, 41, pled guilty to 1) common law robbery, 2) possession of cocaine and 3) being a habitual felon. Jenkins was sentenced to 38-58 months in prison. Jenkins' prior convictions include two counts of felony possession of stolen goods and felony breaking or entering.

Clyde Simmons, 48, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) being a habitual breaking or entering status offender. Simmons was sentenced to 30-48 months in prison. Simmons' prior convictions include felony breaking or entering, larceny after breaking or entering and possession of cocaine.

Cordero Lindsey, 29, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) felony breaking or entering. Lindsey was sentenced to 24-47 months in prison.

Kelly Canupp, 50, pled guilty to felony larceny. Canupp was sentenced to 11-23 months in prison.

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