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#### Habitual Felon Team convicts 13 defendants

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team convicted 13 defendants during the week of July 22, 2019. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5310 before The Honorable Robert C. Ervin, Superior Court Judge. Four of the 13 defendants convicted were codefendants of offenders who are eligible for habitual felon status.

#### Among those convicted were:

Larry Brown, 50, pled guilty to 1) failure to register as a sex offender and 2) being a habitual felon. Brown was sentenced to 76-104 months in prison. Brown's prior convictions include sale or delivery of a counterfeit controlled substance, larceny from the person and failure to register as a sex offender.

Michael Devore, 44, pled guilty to 1) possession with the intent to sell or deliver marijuana, 2) being a habitual felon and 3) felony flee to elude arrest with a motor vehicle. Devore was sentenced to 23-40 months in prison. Devore's prior convictions include possession of cocaine and multiple counts of possession with the intent to sell or deliver cocaine.

John White, 56, pled guilty to possession with the intent to sell or deliver cocaine. White was sentenced to 16-29 months in prison.

Stanley Palmer, 61, pled guilty to 1) two counts of felony habitual misdemeanor larceny and 2) being a habitual felon. Palmer will be sentenced at a later date. Palmer's prior convictions include habitual larceny, criminal sale of a controlled substance and attempted robbery in the third degree.

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