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Child rapist gets minimum of 66 years after jury verdict

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Special Victims Team tried three defendants last month. The proceedings were held from July 16, 2018 to July 27, 2018 in courtrooms 5110 and 5170 before The Honorable Daniel A. Kuehnert and The Honorable W. Todd Pomeroy.

Robert Quinn, 37, was tried for 1) rape of a child, 2) three counts of sexual offense with a child, and 3) two counts of taking indecent liberties with a child. The jury found Quinn *guilty* as charged after hearing evidence that he molested two children over the course of several years. Judge Pomeroy sentenced Quinn to 800-1080 months in prison.

Lavont Jackson, 36, was tried for 1) assault by strangulation, 2) habitual misdemeanor assault, 3) communicating threats, and 4) being a habitual felon. Mid-trial, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to habitual misdemeanor assault and admitted his status as a habitual felon. Judge Kuehnert sentenced Jackson to 58-82 months in prison. Jackson's prior convictions include assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury, assault on a female, and selling cocaine.

Levon Baker, 35, was tried for 1) assault by strangulation, 2) assault on a female, 3) assault with a deadly weapon, 4) misdemeanor child abuse, and 5) interfering with an emergency communication. The jury found Baker *guilty* of assault on a female. The jury was unable to reach unanimous verdicts on the remaining charges. Judge Kuehnert sentenced Baker to 60 days in jail. That sentence was suspended, and Baker was placed on supervised probation for 24 months. As a condition of his probation, Baker must complete a certified intervention program for batterers.

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