

NEWS RELEASE

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Jury convicts domestic violence offender; 6 plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – A jury found a domestic violence offender guilty, and six others pled guilty to domestic violence crimes during the week of September 18, 2017. These defendants were prosecuted by the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Domestic Violence Team. The proceedings were held before The Honorable Daniel A. Kuehnert and The Honorable W. Todd Pomeroy, Superior Court Judges.

Kenyon Davis, 22, was tried for 1) felonious restraint and 2) assault on a female. The jury found Davis *guilty* of assault on a female. Judge Kuehnert declared a mistrial as to the felonious restraint charge because the jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict. Judge Kuehnert sentenced Davis to 75 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail; that sentence was suspended pending Davis' successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Davis must serve 10 days in jail and complete a certified intervention program for batterers.

Corey Williams, 48, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) possession of a firearm with an altered serial number. Judge Kuehnert sentenced Williams to a total of 37-63 months in prison.

Daquan Jeter, 26, pled guilty to 1) attempted second-degree kidnapping and 2) assault with a deadly weapon. Judge Kuehnert sentenced Jeter to 16-29 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending Jeter's successful completion of 18 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Jeter must serve 30 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail and complete a certified intervention program for batterers.

Anthony Morrow, 43, pled guilty to felony habitual misdemeanor assault. Judge Kuehnert sentenced Morrow to 9-20 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending Morrow's successful completion of 18 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Morrow must complete a certified intervention program for batterers and substance abuse treatment.

Philip Yates, 39, pled guilty to felony violation of a domestic violence protective order. Judge Kuehnert sentenced Yates to 6-18 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending Yates' successful completion of 18 months of supervised probation.

Tariano Watkins, 22, pled guilty to assault on a female. Judge Pomeroy sentenced Watkins to 75 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail; that sentence was suspended pending Watkins'

successful completion of 18 months of supervised probation. As conditions of his probation, Watkins must serve 30 days in jail and complete a certified intervention program for batterers.

Janathan Taylor, 30, pled guilty to assault on a female. Judge Pomeroy sentenced Taylor to 75 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail; that sentence was suspended pending Taylor's successful completion of 12 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Taylor must complete a certified intervention program for batters and mental health treatment.

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