

NEWS RELEASE

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Robbers among 33 defendants convicted

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Crimes Against Persons Team convicted 33 defendants October 27-31, 2014, in Mecklenburg County Superior Court. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtroom 5350 before The Honorable Yvonne Mims Evans, Superior Court Judge.

Among those convicted and sent to prison were:

Jorge Ortiz, 33, pled guilty to three counts of sexual activity by a substitute parent. Ortiz was sentenced to 75-270 months in prison. Upon his release from prison, Ortiz must register as a sex offender for 30 years.

Demaris Platt, 24, pled guilty to 1) two counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, 2) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon and 3) possession with the intent to sell or deliver cocaine. Platt was sentenced to 67-93 months in prison.

Antonio Mungo, 30, pled guilty to 1) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) possession with the intent to sell or deliver a counterfeit controlled substance. Mungo was sentenced to 26-44 months in prison.

Note: Almost all guilty pleas entered in criminal administrative court are the result of an agreed upon plea arrangement between the State and the defendant, which is then approved by the sentencing judge. For more information about why most cases must be resolved by plea negotiation instead of jury trial, please visit the "Understanding Criminal Court" section of the DA's website at www.charmeckda.com.

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