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## **DA's Habitual Felon Team leads trial session.**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team tried one defendant and convicted five others who entered guilty pleas during the week of July 31, 2023. The matters were heard before The Honorable Matt J. Osman, Superior Court Judge.

Bryan Bracy, 27, was tried for 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) being an habitual felon. The jury found him *guilty* as charged. Judge Osman sentenced Bracy to 96-128 months in prison.

Nico Benn, 28, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Osman sentenced Benn to 9-20 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. As a condition of his probation, Benn must serve 19 days in the Mecklenburg County Jail.

Wellington Wallace, 48, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, 2) misdemeanor carrying a concealed gun, and 3) being an habitual felon. Judge Osman sentenced Wallace to 70-96 months in prison.

Keith Joyner, 44, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) attempted trafficking cocaine. Judge Osman sentenced Joyner to 31-47 months in prison.

Albert Green, 49, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, 2) misdemeanor carrying a concealed gun, and 3) being an habitual felon. Judge Osman sentenced Green to 76-104 months in prison.

Joseph Phillips, 44, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) second degree burglary. Judge Osman sentenced Phillips to a total of 62-94 months in prison.

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