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Violent Crimes Team convicts two at trial; three others plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Violent Crimes Team tried three defendants and convicted three others who entered guilty pleas during the team's most recent trial session. The proceedings took place in courtrooms 5370, 5110, and 5170 before the Honorable Matthew J. Osman, the Honorable Peter B. Knight, and the Honorable George C. Bell, Superior Court Judges. The trial session began on March 25, 2024 and concluded on March 28, 2024.

Sheldon Reid, 26, was tried for 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. The jury found him *guilty as charged*. Judge Bell sentenced the defendant to 60-84 months in prison. On December 5, 2020, the defendant and an accomplice held employees of a Charlotte video arcade at gunpoint and robbed them of a large amount of cash. The accomplice previously pled guilty in connection with the crimes.

Michael Crittenden, 31, was tried for 1) first-degree kidnapping and 2) felony larceny. The jury found Crittenden *guilty* of felony larceny and *not guilty* of kidnapping. Judge Osman sentenced the defendant to 8–19 months in prison. On June 15, 2019, the defendant stole the victim's vehicle from the emergency room entrance of Novant Health Presbyterian Medical Center. Inside the car was the victim's 1-year-old child. The child was found 30 minutes later, strapped in his car seat on an apartment complex sidewalk. The defendant was arrested the following day in South Carolina in possession of the stolen car keys and the victim's belongings.

Angelo Slaughter, 25, was tried for 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. The jury found him *not guilty*.

Edwardo Davis, 33, pled guilty to 1) discharging a weapon into occupied property and 2)felony fleeing to elude arrest. Judge Knight sentenced Davis to 40-69 months in prison.

Wayne Hall, 44, pled guilty to assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Judge Knight sentenced Hall to 20-36 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending the defendant's successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation.

Jelessa Reid, 36, pled guilty to three counts of malicious conduct by a prisoner. Judge Osman sentenced her to 20-33 months in prison.

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