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Man sentenced to life in prison after jury finds him guilty of first-degree murder

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Dwayne Evans will spend the rest of his life in prison after a Mecklenburg County jury found him guilty of the 2018 murder of his roommate, Eric Spells. The trial, which was held in courtroom 5370 before The Honorable George C. Bell, Superior Court Judge, began on April 24, 2024, and ended today with the jury's guilty verdict.

The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Homicide Team tried Dwayne Evans, 33, for 1) first-degree murder, 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, 3) concealment of death, and 4) conspiracy to commit concealment of death. The jury found him *guilty as charged*. Judge Bell then sentenced Evans to the mandatory sentence of *life in prison without the possibility of parole*.

Charges remain pending against two co-defendants in this case.

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