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DA's Violent Crimes Team convicts 10 in trial session

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Violent Crimes Team convicted 10 defendants during the team's July 15, 2024 trial session in courtrooms 5110, 5150, 5170, and 5370 before the Honorable Carla N. Archie, the Honorable Donald R. Cureton, Jr., the Honorable Jacqueline D. Grant, and the Honorable David H. Strickland, Superior Court Judges. One matter was heard before the Honorable Reggie E. McKnight, Superior Court Judge. The session concluded on July 19, 2024. The Violent Crimes Team tried four of the defendants, convicting two; another eight defendants entered guilty pleas.

Daviyon Reid, 20, was tried for robbery with a dangerous weapon. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty as charged*. Judge Strickland sentenced Reid to 51-74 months in prison.

Jh'ane McMillan, 25, was tried for discharging a firearm into an occupied vehicle. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty as charged*. At the sentencing hearing, the State sought an active prison sentence. In her discretion, Judge Grant imposed a suspended sentence of 23-40 months, on the condition that McMillan successfully complete 36 months of supervised probation.

Izreal Johnson, 20, was tried for 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) resisting a public officer. The jury returned verdicts of *not guilty* as to the firearm charge and *guilty* as to the resisting a public officer charge. Judge Archie sentenced Johnson to 45 days in jail; that sentence was suspended pending the defendant's successful completion of 12 months of supervised probation.

Ryhan Hankins, 25, was tried for possession of a firearm on educational property. The jury returned a verdict of *not guilty*.

Kaivon Belton, 20, pled guilty to 1) six counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) two counts of attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon. Judge Strickland sentenced Belton to a total of 80-120 months in prison.

Tyree Knight, 20, pled guilty to 1) discharging a firearm into occupied property and 2) larceny from the person. Judge Grant sentenced Knight to 20-36 months in prison; that sentence was

suspended on the condition that Knight successfully complete 36 months of supervised probation. As a special condition of probation, Knight must serve 20 days in jail.

Jordan Johnson, 22, pled guilty to 1) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and 2) robbery with a dangerous weapon. Judge Strickland sentenced Johnson to 51-74 months in prison.

Tavion Wells, 26, pled guilty to 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) four counts of assault by pointing a gun. Judge Archie sentenced Wells to 54-77 months in prison.

Herbert Stanback, 68, pled guilty to felony hit and run resulting in injury or death. Judge Archie sentenced Stanback to two years in prison.

Marquel Parker, 25, pled guilty to conspiracy to commit discharging a firearm into an occupied vehicle in operation. Judge McKnight sentenced Parker to 20-36 months in prison; that sentence was suspended on the condition that Parker successfully complete 24 months of supervised probation.

Justin Johnson, 20, pled guilty to 1) discharging a firearm into occupied property and 2) possession of a weapon of mass destruction. Judge Grant sentenced Johnson to 31-50 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending the defendant's successful completion of 36 months of supervised probation. As part of that sentence, the defendant must serve seven months in prison, and upon completion of that sentence, the defendant will be placed on six months of house arrest.

Larry Bethea, 44, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) carrying a concealed gun. Judge Grant sentenced Bethea to 13-25 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending the defendant's successful completion of 30 months of supervised probation.

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