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Felony Crimes Team convicts 27 defendants

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Felony Crimes Team convicted 27 defendants during recent administrative court sessions in Superior Court during the week of September 16, 2024. The proceedings were held in courtroom 5310 before the Honorable Carla N. Archie, Superior Court Judge.

Among those convicted were:

Travis Cuthbertson, 34, pled guilty to 1) ten counts of felony larceny and 2) habitual larceny. Judge Archie sentenced him to two concurrent sentences of 15-27 months in prison. The defendant was also ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$1074.24 to Nordstrom Rack and \$929.46 to DICK's Sporting Goods.

Walter Lee, 48, pled guilty to 1) level I trafficking in opium or heroin and 2) misdemeanor fleeing to elude arrest. Judge Archie sentenced him to 70-93 months in prison.

Darisha McClendon, 34, pled guilty to 1) level II trafficking in methamphetamine and 2) level II trafficking in opium or heroin. Judge Archie sentenced the defendant to 90-120 months in prison.

Zion Wright, 19, pled guilty to 1) attempted level I trafficking in fentanyl, 2) possession with the intent to sell or deliver cocaine, and 3) assault on a company or campus police officer. Judge Archie sentenced him to 25-49 months in prison for the first two charges. For the third charge, he was sentenced to 75 days in jail; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 18 months of supervised probation, which will start upon his release from prison.

Jacari Campbell, 22, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Archie sentenced the defendant to 15-27 months in prison. Campbell also admitted to violating the terms of his probation for a previous conviction. Judge Archie revoked that probation and activated his suspended sentence of 12-24 months. That sentence will run concurrent to the new sentence.

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