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In separate trials, Special Victims Team convicts child rapist, domestic violence offender

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Special Victims Team tried 3 defendants during a recent trial session that began on May 5, 2025. The sessions were held in courtrooms 5110 and 5170, before the Honorable Craig R. Collins and the Honorable Peter B. Knight, Superior Court Judges.

Malcolm Scott, 28, was tried for 1) statutory rape, 2) two counts of statutory sex offense, and 3) taking indecent liberties with a child. The jury found him *guilty* of statutory rape, one count of statutory sex offense, and taking indecent liberties with a child. He was found *not guilty* of one count of statutory sex offense. For the statutory rape charge, Judge Collins sentenced him to 240-348 months in prison and for the statutory sex offense and taking indecent liberties with a child, he was sentenced to a consecutive sentence of 192-291 months in prison. Upon his release from prison, Scott must register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

In June 2018, the then 15-year-old survivor asked Scott for a ride home from a friend's house. Scott, who was 21 years old at the time, had been a friend of the survivor's family for several years. Once in the car, Scott took advantage of his position of trust to have sexual contact with the survivor. The next day, after realizing their daughter was displaying signs of trauma, the survivor's parents took her to a hospital where she received a sexual assault nurse examination. Ultimately, DNA evidence provided corroboration proving Scott committed these acts.

Barry Broadway, 44, was tried for 1) attempted first-degree murder, 2) assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury, 3) assault inflicting serious bodily injury, and 4) assault by strangulation. The jury found him *guilty as charged*. Judge Knight sentenced him to consecutive sentences of 157-201 months in prison for the attempted first-degree murder, 73-100 months in prison for assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury, and 16-29 months in prison for assault inflicting serious bodily injury. Judgment was arrested for the assault by strangulation charge.

Broadway and the victim had been in a dating relationship for approximately a year and Broadway had recently moved in with the victim. On December 29, 2020, Broadway became angry with the victim when she asked him to take out the trash. When she went to check on him, he shoved her twice and then attempted to grab her throat. She tried to fight him off, but he strangled her to the point of unconsciousness, causing her to fall to the floor. When she woke up on the floor, he strangled her again. During her next period of unconsciousness, Broadway went to another room to get his AK-47 and load it. Thinking better of firing the weapon and alerting neighbors, Broadway then delivered repeated blows to her face and head, using his fists, and hard surfaces in the bathroom where the assault occurred. The victim sustained three injuries to her carotid arteries. She also sustained a blowout fracture to her face which required surgical intervention. She was able to get out of the home and to a family member's home nearby, where that family member called 911.

Victor Howard II, 43, was tried for assault on a female. The jury found him not guilty.

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