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Felony Special Victims Team convicts 2 at trial; 2 others plead guilty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Felony Special Victims Team tried two defendants, while two others pled guilty during the team's recent trial session. The proceedings, which began on August 11, 2025, and concluded on August 22, 2025, were held in courtrooms 5110 and 5170, before the Honorable Justin N. Davis, the Honorable Clifton H. Smith, and the Honorable Louis A. Trosch Jr., Superior Court Judges.

Janice Sings, 64, was tried for 1) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. The jury found her *guilty as charged*. Judge Davis sentenced her to 33-52 months in prison.

On September 20, 2020, Sings went to the victim's home and demanded he pay back money that she had previously loaned him. When the victim did not have the money to give to Sings, she stabbed him in the thigh with a butcher knife. The victim's roommate called 911 and when Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department officers arrived, the victim was unconscious due to the loss of blood. Officers applied a tourniquet to the victim's leg, and he was transported to the hospital by Medic. The victim arrived at the hospital and was immediately brought to the operating room due to a suspected arterial injury. The defendant had severed the femoral artery in the victim's leg, and this injury required several surgeries.

Walter Russell, 31, was tried for 1) assault with a deadly weapon and 2) breaking or entering to terrorize or injure. The jury found him *guilty as charged*. Judge Trosch sentenced Russell to 6-17 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation.

Tyrice Garlins, 31, pled guilty to 1) second-degree forcible rape, 2) second-degree forcible sexual offense, and 3) sexual battery. Judge Trosch sentenced him to 58-130 months in prison for the second-degree forcible rape and second-degree forcible sexual offense charges. For the remaining charge, he was sentenced to a consecutive sentence of 60 days in jail; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation. He must also register as a sex offender for the rest of his natural life.

Daniel Haigh, 34, pled guilty to soliciting a child by a computer. Judge Smith sentenced him to 11-23 months in prison. Haigh must also register as a sex offender for 30 years.

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