

NEWS RELEASE

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Dozens convicted during administrative court sessions

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Office convicted dozens of defendants during administrative court sessions held in Superior Court between July 1, 2026 – July 31, 2026. The defendants entered their guilty pleas in courtrooms 5310 and 5350 before the Honorable Carla N. Archie, the Honorable W. Robert Bell, the Honorable Matt J. Osman, and the Honorable Louis A. Trosch Jr., Superior Court Judges.

Among those convicted were the following:

Shamario Bethea, 43, pled guilty to first-degree kidnapping. Judge Osman sentenced Bethea to 96-128 months in prison.

Bionnah Massey, 34, pled guilty to first-degree kidnapping. Judge Osman sentenced Massey to 73-100 months in prison.

Makayla Neely, 25, pled guilty to felony death by motor vehicle. Judge Osman sentenced her to 64-89 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending her successful completion of 36 months of supervised probation. As a condition of the probation, Neely must serve a split sentence of 120 days in jail.

Terrence Richardson, 38, pled guilty to 1) second-degree murder and 2) two counts of attempted first-degree murder. Judge Osman sentenced him to 192-243 months in prison.

Malcolm Smith, 30, pled guilty to 1) second-degree murder, 2) three counts of discharging a weapon into an occupied vehicle in operation, and 3) three counts of discharging a firearm into an occupied vehicle. For the second-degree murder and discharging a weapon into an occupied vehicle in operation charges, Judge Osman sentenced him to 157-201 months in prison. For the remaining charges, he received a consecutive sentence of 25-42 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 36 months of supervised probation.

Jason Scott, 19, pled guilty to 1) two counts of involuntary manslaughter and 2) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Judge Osman sentenced him to 31-50 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 36 months of supervised probation. As a condition of the probation, Scott must serve a split sentence of 180 days in jail.

Antwan Gladden, 48, pled guilty to two counts of trafficking in cocaine by sale. He also admitted his status as a habitual felon. Judge Trosch sentenced Gladden to 77-105 months in prison.

Darius Sturghill, 35, pled guilty to 1) five counts of felony breaking or entering, 2) three counts of larceny after breaking or entering, 3) safecracking, 4) felony breaking or entering a motor vehicle, and 5) being a habitual felon. Judge Bell sentenced him to 89-119 months in prison.

Nicholas James, 35, pled guilty to felony larceny. Judge Archie sentenced James to 6-17 months in prison.

Dequavious Joseph, 35, pled guilty to two counts of attempted trafficking in fentanyl. Judge Archie sentenced Joseph to two consecutive sentences of 19-32 months in prison, totaling 38-64 months in prison.

Arsenio Hopper, 35, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) attempted trafficking in opium or heroin. Judge Archie sentenced Hopper to 17-30 months in prison for the possession of a firearm charge and a consecutive sentence of 21-35 months in prison for the attempted trafficking charge.

Martin Mattucci, 23, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering. Judge Archie sentenced Mattucci to 9-20 months in prison.

Kenneth Seegars, 57, pled guilty to two counts of attempted burning of an unoccupied building. Judge Archie sentenced Seegars to 26-41 months in prison.

Whitney Wolfe, 30, pled guilty to misdemeanor larceny. Judge Archie sentenced Wolfe to 45 days in jail.

Robert Black, 48, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Archie sentenced Black to 15-27 months in prison.

William Clemmons, 39, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Archie sentenced Clemmons to 10-21 months in prison.

Jake Gamblin, 28, pled guilty to trafficking in cocaine. Judge Archie sentenced Gamblin to 35-51 months in prison.

Kelvin Daniels, 47, pled guilty to two counts of habitual larceny. Judge Archie sentenced Daniels to 12-24 months in prison.

Nicole Decosta, 42, pled guilty to accessory after the fact to assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Judge Archie sentenced Decosta to 9-20 months in prison.

Jakeem Bennett, 27, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Archie sentenced Bennett to 22-36 months in prison.

Jeremy Mays, 45, pled guilty to two counts of felony larceny. Judge Archie sentenced Mays to 15-27 months in prison.

Jamario Smith, 21, pled guilty to assault with a deadly weapon. Judge Archie sentenced Smith to 44 days in jail.

Ambokile Thompson, 26, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Trosch sentenced Thompson to 15-27 months in prison.

Jamarion Cunningham, 21, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Trosch sentenced Cunningham to 13-25 months in prison.

Damareon Davis, 18, pled guilty to 1) two counts of discharging a weapon into an occupied dwelling and 2) conspiracy to commit discharging a weapon into an occupied dwelling. Judge Trosch sentenced Davis to 60-84 months in prison for the first two counts. For the conspiracy charge, Davis was sentenced to a consecutive sentence of 25-42 months in prison; that sentence was suspended pending his successful completion of 24 months of supervised probation.

Ibrahima Gueye, 52, pled guilty to larceny from the person. Judge Trosch sentenced Gueye to 5-15 months in prison.

Elijah Shelton, 23, pled guilty to two counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Trosch sentenced Shelton to 20-42 months in prison.

Nyleek Beckwith, 24, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Beckwith was sentenced to 12-24 months in prison. Beckwith also admitted to violating the terms of his probation from a previous conviction. Judge Trosch revoked that probation and activated his suspended sentence of 16-29 months in prison. That sentence will run concurrently to the new sentence.

Taverio Dunn, 27, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) felony flee to elude arrest with a motor vehicle. Judge Bell sentenced him to 12-24 months in prison. Dunn also admitted to violating terms of his probation for a previous conviction. Judge Bell revoked that probation and activated his suspended sentence of 5-15 months in prison, which will run concurrently to the new sentence.

Paul Whitley, 34, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) felony larceny. Judge Bell sentenced Whitley to 5-15 months in prison.

Jordan Langford-Coker, 19, pled guilty to two counts of common law robbery. Judge Bell sentenced him to 10-21 months in prison.

Terrence Edwards, 21, pled guilty to 1) assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and 2) discharging a weapon into occupied property. Judge Bell sentenced him to 20-36 months in prison.

Chavayee McLain, 48, pled guilty to 1) robbery with a dangerous weapon and 2) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Bell sentenced McLain to 67-93 months in prison.

Joziaya Woods, 21, pled guilty to 1) two counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, 2) felony carrying a concealed gun, and 3) possession of a firearm on educational property. Judge Bell sentenced Woods to 12-24 months in prison.

Omar Jordan, 33, pled guilty to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Judge Bell sentenced him to 17-30 months in prison.

Freddie Morrison Jr., 43, pled guilty to misdemeanor larceny. Judge Bell sentenced him to 120 days in jail.

Brittany Jenkins, 34, pled guilty to 1) common law robbery and 2) two counts of larceny from the person. Judge Bell sentenced her to 12-24 months in prison.

David Scott, 34, pled guilty to 1) two counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) misdemeanor assault with a deadly weapon. Judge Bell sentenced him to 12-24 months in prison.

Rayviere Wilcox, 19, pled guilty to 1) conspiracy to commit discharging a weapon into occupied property, 2) felony larceny, and 3) breaking or entering a motor vehicle. Judge Bell sentenced him to 15-27 months in prison.

Kashief Simmons, 40, pled guilty to two counts of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Judge Bell sentenced him to 25-42 months in prison.

Nazarian Shacklette, 18, pled guilty to felony flee to elude arrest with a motor vehicle. Judge Bell sentenced him to 6-17 months in prison.

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