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## Williamson Found Competent to Stand Trial Oct. 23

BY WENDY GOODMAN  
CITY EDITOR

HILLSBOROUGH - Judge Gordon Battle ruled Monday in Orange County Superior Court that double-murder suspect Wendell Williamson is competent to stand trial. This ruling came following testimony by Williamson's psychiatrist stating he suffered from paranoid schizophrenia.

At the arraignment, public defender James Williams entered a not guilty by reason of insanity plea for Williamson in the two counts of first-degree murder and

11 counts of assault with intent to kill.

To effectively use a plea of insanity, Orange-Chatham District Attorney Carl Fox said the defense must show to the "satisfaction of the jury that Williamson was suffering from some mental defect at the time of the crime." The former third-



WENDELL WILLIAMSON pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity.

year UNC law student is charged with the Jan. 26 shooting deaths on Henderson Street of UNC sophomore lacrosse player, Kevin Reichardt, and Chapel Hill resident, Ralph Walker.

Dr. Nicole Wolfe, Williamson's psychiatrist at Dorothea Dix Hospital in Raleigh, testified that although Williamson had been diagnosed as a paranoid schizophrenic he did understand the court proceedings. She said he could communicate with and understand his lawyers, an important factor in determining his competency to stand trial.

Fox said that the judge's ruling did not

conflict with the testimony of Williamson's psychiatrist because it was related to separate time references.

"There isn't anything that says he is incompetent to testify," Fox said. "Based upon his being medicated, the doctor indicated that he could work with and understand his lawyers, now."

Wolfe also said that Williamson had changed emotionally since she began examining him April 21. She has examined him three times each week since then, and Williamson has also been placed on three types of medication.

"He's become more depressed and less

psychotic," she said.

Wolfe said that Williamson was now in touch with the reality that he faced, and he knew it was "grim."

"He now realizes he's killed two people," she said. "His thinking around the time of the offense has changed dramatically."

Wolfe testified to several points that were presented at a hearing June 9, where Williams submitted an affidavit stating his client was "actively suffering from paranoid schizophrenia" at the time of the shootings and that they were a product of his mental illness.

She also said Williamson believed he

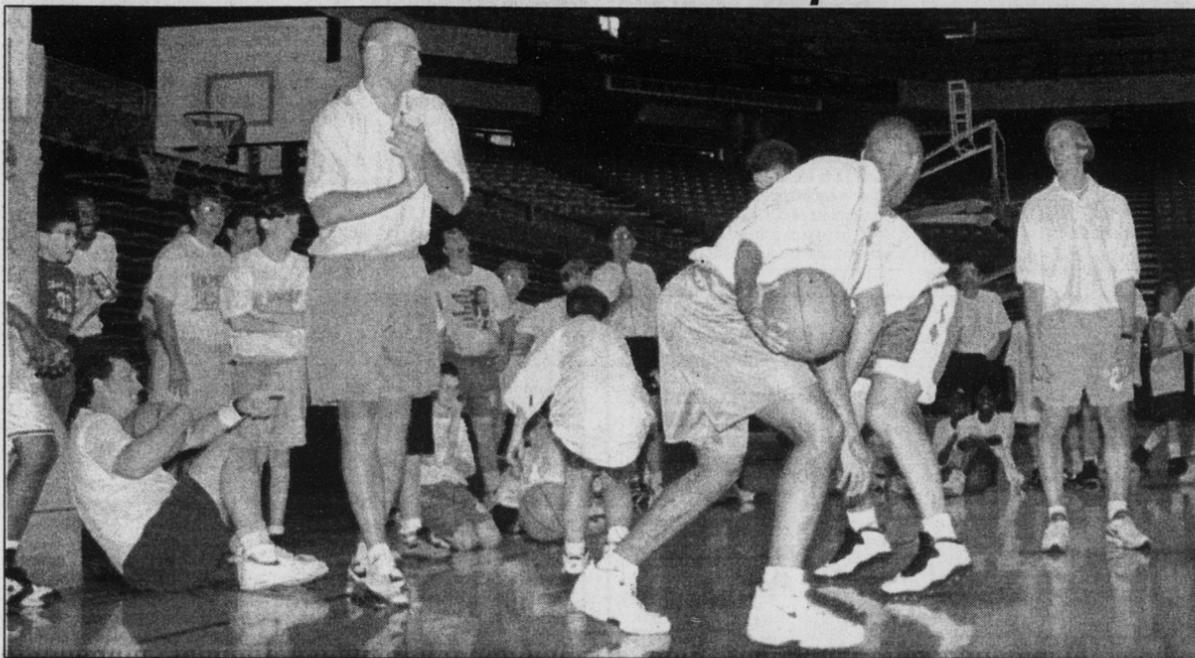
was telepathic, heard voices and experienced various delusions. She said that these delusions focused on people causing him physical pain telepathically.

The 26-year-old native of Clyde, entered the courtroom in handcuffs and shackles. He was seated near Reichardt's lacrosse teammates, and Ralph Walker III, whose father was also killed in the shooting spree.

The defense will be able to make additional motions during a court date set for Sept. 6.

The trial is slated to begin Oct. 23 in Superior Court.

### Foolin' Around For Father's Day



Former UNC basketball center Eric Montross (standing left) enjoys the show as former teammates Derrick Phelps and Pat Sullivan face off during a skills test at the Eric Montross Father's Day Basketball Camp, held June 16-17 in the Dean E. Smith Center to benefit the N.C. Children's Hospital. See story on page 10A.

## Garbage Truck Mishap Claims Cyclist's Life

BY WENDY GOODMAN  
CITY EDITOR

A woman died Monday when her bicycle collided with a garbage truck at the intersection of Cameron Avenue and Pittsboro Street at approximately 7:30 a.m.

Diana Marcela Monroy Marquez, 23, of Estes Drive was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident when the UNC and Chapel Hill police arrived, Lt. Angela Carmon of the University Police said.

The garbage truck that hit Monroy Marquez is owned by Waste Management of Raleigh-Durham, with which the University has a contract. Police had not released the name of the driver at press time, and officials at Waste Management would not comment on the accident.

Monroy Marquez, originally of Bogota, Columbia, was traveling east toward campus, according to witnesses. The intersection where the accident occurred is generally busy with motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists on their way to the campus.

"It's really dangerous because it is almost like a blind side for pedestrians," said Patrick Buckner, a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity which is located at the corner of Cameron and Pittsboro.

"People don't slow down or pedestrians don't pay attention and just give it a quick glance before crossing."

Some of the fraternity members were awakened by the sound of the accident, called 911 and took a blanket to emergency medical workers. "I heard a noise that sounded like a school bus screaming,"

Buckner said. "I looked out the window and saw her, the waste management truck and her bike there."

Other students on their way to classes witnessed the scene of the accident while police were trying to determine what had taken place.

Jenn Halter, a junior from King's Mountain, said she encountered the accident scene shortly after it had occurred. She said she passed the intersection daily and did not realize the potential danger it presented.

"I fly through there a lot on my way to class and never really pay attention," she said.

Jeffery Obler, a UNC associate professor of political science and a member of the Chapel Hill Transportation Board, said he hoped this would make people realize the dangers many pedestrians and bicyclists face on the streets.

"Many places around campus are difficult to cross because the flow of traffic never slows," he said. "People have to cross the road without protection."

Obler said he thought people were too often committed to the idea that the traffic flow cannot be disturbed. "There are certain parts of campus where it might be a good idea to have a place where traffic stops and its safe for people to cross."

Obler said he believed this would be a problem the transportation board would discuss further. The victim had recently moved to Chapel Hill from Durham where she was affiliated with Integrated Laboratory Systems. Carmon said no connection between her and the University had been drawn at this point.

## Interim Provost Won't Seek Permanent Position

BY THANASSIS CAMBANIS  
EDITOR

The reluctant administrator who will take over as interim provost next month has gained 15 straight years of administrative experience while focussing most of his energy on undergraduate teaching. Richard Richardson, the award-winning political science professor, will take over Provost Richard McCormick's job around July 15.

"I have pretty steadfastly declined administrative positions so the fact that this is an interim position is a big part of it," Richardson said. "I am not going to be a

candidate for the permanent position."

After returning from a family vacation at Topsail Beach, Richardson said he was surprised to learn he had been appointed interim provost in a joint decision made by outgoing Chancellor Paul Hardin and Chancellor-elect Michael Hooker. Hardin said he and Hooker discussed the appointment and Hooker interviewed several candidates when he visited Chapel Hill "to get a fix on



RICHARD RICHARDSON takes over July 15.

who the leaders are."

Hooker did not want a candidate for the permanent position in the interim post, and said he would begin a nationwide search as soon as he arrived in July. He said he hopes to fill the position within a year.

Starting this week, Richardson said he would attend all of McCormick's meetings. Until McCormick departs in mid-July, the two will work closely together so Richardson can learn all he can.

McCormick said Richardson was well-prepared to serve as provost because of his extensive knowledge of the University. Richardson would be able to set a new agenda if he wanted to, McCormick said. "Where he places his emphasis will be up to him," McCormick said.

Richardson said he would work to com-

plete the work set in motion by Hardin and McCormick, but that his "primary responsibility is to work with Hooker, to see what he wants to go on in the University."

Richardson came to UNC in 1969 and served as chairman of the political science department from 1975-80 and from 1985-90.

He proceeded to serve for one year as acting associate vice president for academic affairs in the UNC General Administration, and then for three years as chairman of the Faculty Bicentennial Observance.

Until it disbanded in April, Richardson was on the search committee that nominated Michael Hooker for chancellor.

Richardson said his role on the committee that found Hooker "had no bearing on me being chosen as acting provost."

### High Flyin' Dough



Nidal Mallah displays his pizza-tossing expertise as Filippo Tornetta looks on at Sal's Pizza at 1800 E. Franklin St. Sal's has been in Chapel Hill for 15 years.

## Muslim Professor Appeals Tenure Denial to Trustees

BY THANASSIS CAMBANIS  
EDITOR

A professor who said he was denied tenure because of his religious affiliation, has taken his case to the Board of Trustees.

Fred X Hall, an assistant professor of sociology and member of the Nation of Islam, was denied tenure by his department in December, and appealed to the faculty hearings committee.

The hearings committee, which represents the chancellor, declined to give Hall a hearing, so he said he would take it to the next step.

"They flat out denied me appeal. I thought they would at least give me a hearing," Hall said. "They used to just hear everyone."

After the surprise of the committee's announcement passed, Hall said he drafted his appeal to the BOT and turned it in last week.

He said he expected to hear back from the BOT by the time of their next scheduled meeting, July 28.



FRED X HALL said his membership in the Nation of Islam hurt his tenure bid.

Brenda Kirby, secretary of the BOT, said it took six weeks for the trustees to process and hear a tenure appeal, so she said she did not expect the trustees to call a special meeting.

Madeline Levine, chairwoman of the Slavic Languages department, is also chairwoman of the faculty hearings committee that denied Hall a hearing.

Levine said she could not comment because of state rules that keep personnel matters confidential. "This is a personnel matter," she said. "We decided there was no grounds for a hearing."

When the sociology department considered his bid for tenure in December, Hall said two influential professors in the department knew he was a member of the Nation of Islam.

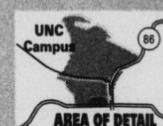
"Their awareness of that was a factor in the denial," he asserted. "What they said to me is that I haven't published enough."

"The response of my colleagues to my overt membership in the Nation has been mixed. I have noticed some coolness and withdrawing within my department. I don't know if that's par for the course for someone who gets denied tenure."

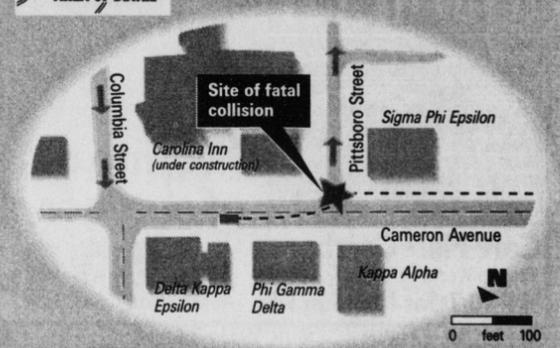
Until January, Hall said he tried to keep quiet that he had been a member of the Nation since the late 1980s. After he was denied tenure, Hall made a public state-

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### Lethal Bike Accident on Edge of Campus



Diana Marcela Monroy Marquez was biking toward campus and was struck by a garbage truck and killed instantly at the corner of Pittsboro Street and Cameron Avenue Monday.



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### WHY THE HEFTY PAPER?

The Daily Tar Heel is proud to present our biggest mail-home issue ever. You'll notice that the paper is heftier than usual and contains a B section, Carolina Compass.

Today's paper is being mailed to about 7,000 incoming freshmen, transfers and graduate students.

Carolina Compass should provide helpful information about Chapel Hill, the University, and entertainment and activities available to UNC students.

Happy reading to all of you who are getting this issue in the mail. And good luck to all the students who are wrapping up the first summer session with exams today and Friday.

We will continue our normal publication schedule every Thursday this summer, and our first issue of the fall semester will hit the stands Monday, Aug. 21.

### Michael Hooker Ready to Storm the Hill



### INSIDE SECTION B

The Daily Tar Heel takes an in-depth look at Michael Hooker, who will take over as UNC's eighth chancellor July 1.

Summer has set in with its usual severity.

Samuel Coleridge