

IN BRUNSWICK SUPERIOR COURT ACTION

Two Charged With Robbing Ocean Isle Motel Sent To Prison

BY TERRY POPE

Two men charged with robbing an Ocean Isle Beach motel in February were sentenced to prison last week by a Brunswick County Superior Court judge.

James (Jay) Freeman Jobe, 36, of Linden, and James McKinley, 24, of Fort Bragg, each pleaded guilty to common law robbery stemming from a Feb. 25 incident at The Winds Clanton Resort motel on the island.

Judge Giles R. Clark sentenced Jobe to three years in prison and McKinley to two years in prison, and ordered both to pay \$250 in attorney fees. They faced maximum terms of 10 years each in prison.

McKinley was ordered not to benefit as a committed youthful offender.

Ocean Isle Police Officer Dan Hunter was on patrol when he saw two men run into the street followed by a clerk who was screaming she had been robbed.

Quick action to arrest the men led to a commendation for Hunter by Chief Curt Pritchard. One suspect was found treading water in a canal after fleeing the scene.

Judge Clark also heard the following cases for the period April 20 through 24:

■Marshall Eugene Starnes, 28, of 3314 W. Dolphin Street, Long Beach, admitted probation violation; five-year sentence reduced to three years.

■William Baker, 21, of Lincoln School Road, Leland, admitted probation violation; ordered to pay \$100 monthly, \$150 attorney fees, intensive probation six months, submit to warrantless searches, placed on electronic house arrest.

■Harwyn Rene Davis, 35, of Route 4, Leland, probation revoked; credit for all time served awaiting trial.

■George Rankins, 27, of Shallotte, pleaded guilty to accessory after the fact of second-degree rape; sentenced to three years in prison, suspended four years, placed on four years' supervised probation, ordered to pay \$300 fine, court cost, \$400 attorney fee and supervision and community service fees; submit to warrantless searches; not use or possess any illegal drugs, not associate with drug users, submit to tests, perform 72 hours community service within 60 days, pay \$25 per week fee.

■Kelly Lynn Woodruff, 19, of Roanoke Rapids, pleaded guilty to simple possession of marijuana; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended for 12 months, unsupervised probation, ordered to pay \$100 fine, court cost, \$375 attorney fees and to remain on good behavior and not violate any laws.

■Jack Ross McKee, 52, of Route 4, Leland, pleaded guilty to assault on a female; sentenced to 60 days in jail, suspended for 12 months, placed on unsupervised probation 12 months, ordered to pay \$50 fine and court cost, to remain on good behavior and not violate any laws.

■James Henry Pierce, 33, of Route 1, Leland, was found not guilty by a jury on charges of first-degree sexual offense and taking indecent liberties.

■Richard Alvey Partello III, 24, of Route 1, Southport, pleaded guilty to reckless driving and failure to

stop for blue light and siren, charges consolidated; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended for two years and placed on two years' supervised probation, ordered to pay \$200 fine, court cost, supervision fee and serve 48 hours community service within 60 days, submit to tests.

■Crystal Diane Sandy, 17, of Route 3, Supply, a driving while impaired as a provisional licensee charge remanded to district court.

■Scotty Dean Collins, 20, of Route 5, Southport, pleaded guilty to driving while impaired, level 3; sentenced to six months in jail, suspended for 12 months, placed on supervised probation 12 months, ordered to pay \$200 fine, court cost, \$100 community service fee, supervision fee, undergo assessment within 30 days, not operate a motor vehicle without a valid North Carolina license, serve 72 hours in the Brunswick County Jail, submit to tests and serve 72 hours community service.

■Kevin O. Jones, 18, of Hampstead, pleaded no contest to injury to personal property, sentenced to six months in jail, suspended for two years and placed on unsupervised probation, ordered to pay court costs and \$1,594.14 to the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department for damage to a 1989 Ford deputy car, to be on good behavior for two years.

■Richard Wilson Bonds, 50, of N.E. 28th Street, Long Beach, pleaded no contest to taking indecent liberties; sentenced to three years in prison, suspended for four years, placed on

four years' supervised probation, ordered to pay \$1,000 fine, court cost, \$450 attorney fees, supervision fee, \$100 community service fee, assessment fee, not have any contact with plaintiff, report for evaluation to mental health center within 60 days and follow all other evaluations, serve 120 hours community service.

■Melvin Troy Johnson, 39, of Route 1, Burgaw, mistrial declared when a jury could not reach a verdict in his driving while impaired case.

■Gregory Ballard, 22, of Route 5, Leland, pleaded guilty to felonious possession of stolen goods; sentenced to three years in prison, suspended four years, placed on four years' supervised probation, ordered to pay \$250 fine, court cost, restitution of \$2,756.50 to Julien Price, \$300 attorney fee, \$100 community service fee (all within three years at not less than \$100 per month beginning May 20), submit to warrantless searches, to not use or possess illegal drugs or controlled substances, not associate with drug users, serve 72 hours community service within 60 days, placed on intensive probation.

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Loris Men Plead Guilty To Break-ins At Holden

Two Loris, S.C., men were sentenced in Brunswick County Superior Court last week after pleading guilty to break-ins at Holden Beach.

Theodore Roosevelt Lewis III, 22, pleaded guilty to 10 counts of breaking and entering. Jeffrey Lee Johnson, about 22, pleaded guilty to one count.

Judge Giles R. Clark sentenced Lewis to nine years in prison on eight of the counts and three years in prison on the other two counts.

Lewis, who was credited for the time he served awaiting trial, was sentenced as regular youthful offender. He was ordered to pay as a condition of early release \$8,963 restitution to property owners on Holden Beach.

Judge Clark sentenced Johnson to three years in prison, but suspended the jail term and placed him on supervised probation.

Johnson was ordered to pay a \$250 fine, court costs, \$400 in attorney fees and submit to warrantless searches.

Clark also ordered that Johnson not use or possess controlled substances or associate with the co-defendant and that he supply breath and urine tests.

Holden Beach Police arrested the two men last December after noticing a suspicious vehicle parked at a vacant beachfront home.

Lewis was originally charged with 14 counts of breaking and entering, while Johnson was charged with three counts.

Holden Beach Police Chief Robert Cook said at the time of the arrest that the men had broken into homes and taken televisions, video cassette recorders, clock-radios and other household appliances and sold them in South Carolina.



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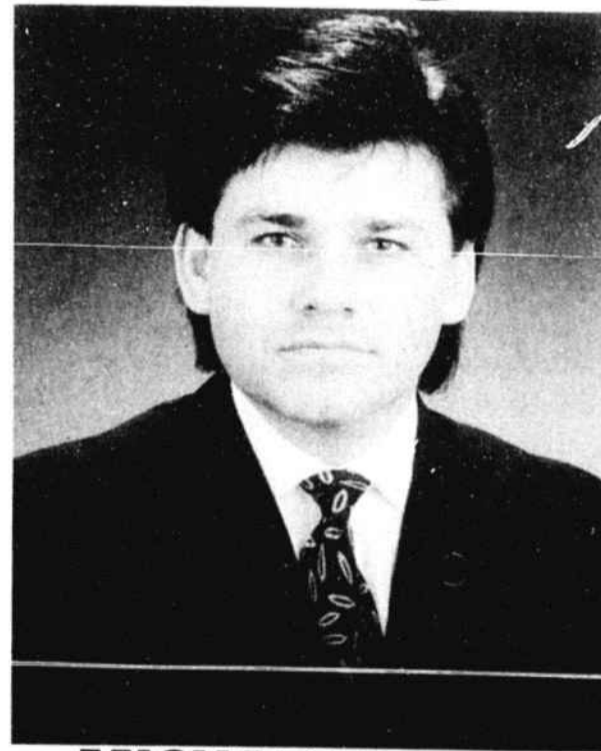
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