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WILLIAMS GETS 226 YEARS IN PRISON

WAKE FOREST, NC – August 28, 2009 – Kendricus Marquell Williams was sentenced Thursday to 226 years in federal prison for a string of armed robberies last year that included a convenience store hold-up in Wake Forest in which the clerk was shot.

Williams, 21, of 505 E. Davie St., Apt. C, was convicted in May of nine counts each of a Hobbs Act robbery and carrying a firearm during a crime of violence and one count of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. The Hobbs Act prohibits robbery or extortion that affects interstate commerce.

One of the nine robberies occurred Feb. 29, 2008, in Wake Forest at the Quality Food Mart on South Main Street. Williams shot store clerk Samir Patel in the abdomen during the robbery.

Williams' co-defendant, Jesse Lee Bundy, 20, of 1312 Rio Valley Drive, Apt. 104, in Raleigh, testified against him. He hasn't been sentenced yet.

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