

# Man will get 8 years for robbery attempt

19-year-old pleaded guilty to firearm charges, conspiracy in incident

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A 19-year-old Lynchburg man was sentenced in Lynchburg Circuit Court on Friday in connection with the attempted robbery of a man and his wife in February.

Demetrius Izaah Gilbert pleaded guilty to charges of conspiracy to commit robbery, two counts of attempted robbery, use of a firearm in commission of a felony and possession of a

firearm by a convicted felon, all felony charges, said Lynchburg Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney Chuck Felmlee.

Gilbert was sentenced to eight years in prison for his part in the incident, in which 21-year-old Carlton Thomas, of Lynchburg, also is charged.

Felmlee laid out a timeline of the incident from the evidence the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office would have presented if Gilbert had been tried.

Felmlee said Wayne and Sherrena Shupe drove to 1698 Callaham St., off Aragon Street, at about 7 p.m. Feb. 12, to meet with the home's owner, Wayne Thompson, about redoing some

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