

# Union County State's Attorney

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## Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: Thomas Thome  
Age: 46  
City and State of residence: Sioux Falls, SD  
Criminal File Number: 15-328  
Incident Date: July 11, 2015  
Indictment Date: September 16, 2015  
Arraignment Date: March 14, 2016  
Change of Plea Date: March 28, 2016  
Convicted of: Forgery, (F5) 22-39-36  
Sentence Date: March 28, 2016  
Arresting Officer: Deputy Jason Westcott  
Defense Attorney: Katie Johnson

### Case Synopsis:

On July 11, 2015, Thomas Thome used a forged check at DJ's Express in Alcester SD to obtain services in the amount of \$69.86. Thome admitted that he stole several items from Michael Fitzgerald's residence, which included some checks. Thome attempted to write a check at the Coffee Cup, however, the check verification system prevented the use of the fraudulent check. Thome was charged for the forged check passed at DJ's Express in Alcester, SD.

### Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of Forgery, a class five felony, the Court sentenced Thomas Thome to a suspended five year sentence with a four year term of supervised probation. The Court further ordered that Thomas Thome serve 19 days in the Union County Jail with 19 days credit for the time spent incarcerated prior to sentencing. The Court further ordered that Thomas Thome pay fines, court costs, and court appointed attorney's fees.

### Criminal History Synopsis:

This appears to be Thomas Thome's first felony offense. Thome's criminal history includes check charges and drug charges.