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Elk Point, S.D. – State's Attorney Jerry A. Miller said today that Daniel Mincks, 32, Vermillion, SD, plead guilty on May 17, 2010, and was sentenced in the 1st Circuit Court, in Union County on June 28, 2010, to one count of possession of controlled substance (meth), a class 4 felony and one count of Driving Under the Influence, a class 1 misdemeanor. The maximum sentence on the class 4 felony is 10 years in the penitentiary and / or \$20,000 fine. The maximum sentence on the class 1 misdemeanor is 1 year in the county jail and / or \$2000 fine. Mincks received a sentence of 10 years in the South Dakota State Penitentiary with 10 years suspended and placed on probation for 10 years. Mincks was further sentenced to serve 90 days in the Union County Jail. Mincks was also fined \$500 on the possession charge and \$400 on DWI, with his other costs and obligation amounting to \$814.00.

Daniel Mincks, was a found walking on the interstate on 12/15/09, after he left the vehicle he was driving. Mincks was found to have both methamphetamine and alcohol in his body at the time of his arrest. Deputy Mike Palmer of the Union County Sheriff's Office investigated this case.