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Elk Point, S.D. – State's Attorney Jerry A. Miller said today that Anthony Dowd, a 21 year old man from Jefferson, SD plead guilty on January 23, 2012 to one count of Delivery of Certain Unauthorized Articles to an Inmate in Jail, a class 6 felony. Dowd was sentenced on January 23, 2012. Dowd received a two (2) year sentence to the South Dakota State Penitentiary with two (2) years suspended. The Court then placed Dowd on two (2) years of supervised probation. Additionally, Dowd received a one-hundred and eighty (180) day sentence to the Union County Jail concurrent with Dowd's probation violation sentence.

This case was investigated by the Union County Sheriff's Office. On November 10, 2011 Dowd was reported to have brought synthetic marijuana which is coated with a controlled substance along with other items into the Union County jail and distributed those same items. Dowd was serving a sentence in the Union County jail at that time for a felony possession of controlled substance and driving while under the influence. Dowd ingested marijuana and gained access to the items he distributed in the jail during those times that he was released from custody for the express purpose of continuing his college classes. The court revoked Dowd's privileges to attend class.