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## Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: Maraya Reed  
Age: 18  
City and State of residence: South Sioux City, NE  
Criminal File Number: 13-226 & 13-281  
Convicted of: 13-281 = Ingestion of a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance (F5), 22-42-5.1  
13-226 = Aiding and Abetting Forgery (F5), 22-39-36 & Aiding and Abetting Forgery (F5), 22-39-36  
Date of Sentence: November 25, 2013  
Arresting Officer: Lt. Richard Headid, North Sioux City Police Dept.

### Case Synopsis:

An investigation on three individuals passing checks in the North Sioux City area resulted in three subjects being arrested, including Delores Brownlee, and her son, Jack Williams, and his girlfriend, Maraya Reed. Over several days, all three individuals are identified on camera at various North Sioux City casinos collectively passing \$1,400 worth of checks in Union County. Other charges may be pending in Iowa and Nebraska against one or all of the same individuals for additional checks. Maraya Reed found a lost checkbook at the mall in Sioux City, IA where she worked. Instead of turning in the checkbook, she called her boyfriend, Jack Williams, and told him about the found checkbook. Williams instructed Reed to keep the checkbook. Thereafter, all three are identified on camera writing out the checks and passing forged checks.

On the Day that Lt. Headid interviewed, Brownlee, Williams, and Reed, he requested that each provide a sample of their urine. A test of each person's urine was conducted and each sample tested positive for methamphetamine. Reed's urine tested positive for Methamphetamine at 9,900 ng/ml; Amphetamine at 2,800 ng/ml; and Marijuana at 179 ng/ml.

### Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of ingestion of a schedule I or II controlled substance, the Court sentenced Reed to a suspended five year sentence to the state penitentiary. Brownlee is also ordered to satisfy a term of five years on supervised probation. On each charge of aiding and abetting forgery, the Court sentenced Reed to a suspended five year sentence to the state penitentiary and a term of five years on supervised probation. The Court further ordered that Brownlee must pay all, restitution, fines, court costs, prosecution costs, and court-appointed attorney fees as a term and condition of satisfying probation on each file. Additionally, the Court ordered that all the sentences shall be concurrent with each other.

### Criminal History Synopsis:

According to the Defendant's criminal history report this is Ms. Reed's first, second, and third career felony convictions.