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Defendant's Name: Denise Dodds
Age: 22
City and State of residence: North Sioux City, SD
Criminal File Number: Probation Violation on 11-108 & New Felony file on 13-245
Probation Offense: Possession of Controlled Substances (F4) 22-42-5
New Offense: Ingestion of a Schedule I or II Controlled Substances (F5) 22-42-5.1
Date of Sentence: December 9, 2013 (For both files)
Arresting Officer: Lt. Richard Headid – North Sioux City Police Dept.
Officer Eric Fay – North Sioux City Police Dept.
Kelly Gregg – Court Service Officer

Case Synopsis:

Court Service Officer, Kelly Gregg was conduct home visits with some of her probationer on August 13, 2013 when she went to the residence shared by Denise Dodds and Tanner Rasmussen. Gregg found both Dodds and Rasmussen in a detached garage smoking synthetic marijuana (generic street name of K2) which was tested and later determined to contain UR-144 and / or XLR-11 which are schedule 1 controlled substances. Gregg called the North Sioux City Police Department to respond to her location. Both were arrested and because they were on probation, they were required to provide a urine sample. Both Dodds and Rasmussen tested positive for the UR-144 and / or XLR-11.

Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of Possession of Controlled Substance in file 11-108, the Court resenteded Dodds to a seven year suspended sentence to the South Dakota State Penitentiary. The Court further stated that this sentence would be consecutive to file 13-245. The Court further ordered that Dodds would be on supervised probation for four years. The Court Ordered that Dodds must spend thirty days in the Union County Jail starting on January 18, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Work release was granted to Dodds. Dodds must pay all unpaid fines, court costs, prosecution costs, and previous and new court-appointed attorney fees.

On the charge of Ingestion of a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance in file 13-245, the Court resenteded Dodds to a five year suspended sentence to the South Dakota State Penitentiary. The Court further stated that this sentence would be consecutive to file 11-108. The Court further ordered that Dodds would be on supervised probation for four years. Dodds must pay all fines, court costs, prosecution costs, and court-appointed attorney fees.

Criminal History Synopsis:

This is Denise Dodds' second career felony conviction.