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Defendant's Name: Neal Ehlers
Age: 37
City and State of residence: Sioux City, IA
Criminal File Number: 13-188
Convicted of: Possession of Controlled Substance - (F4) 22-42-5
Driving with a Revoked License – (M1) 32-12-65(1)
Date of Sentence: January 13, 2014
Arresting Officer: Lt. Richard Headid – North Sioux City Police Department

Case Synopsis:

On June 25, 2013, Neal Ehlers was the driver of a vehicle that was pulled over because the vehicle had expired license plates. The plates were expired for more than a year. Ehlers was charged with driving with a revoked license. North Sioux City Police Officer, Lt. Richard Headid, observed drug paraphernalia in plain view in the vehicle. Ehlers provided a urine sample which tested positive for the following: Methamphetamine at 22,000 ng/ml; and Amphetamine at 6,500 ng/ml.

Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of possession of controlled substance, the Court sentenced Ehlers to a suspended five-year sentence with five years of supervised probation.

On the second charge of driving with a revoked license, the Court sentenced Ehlers with an additional fine and court costs. The Court further ordered that Ehlers must pay all, restitution, fines, court costs, prosecution costs, and court-appointed attorney fees as a term and condition of satisfying probation.

Criminal History Synopsis:

This is Ehlers second career felony.