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November 03, 2014

## Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: Katie Crippen  
Age: 29  
City and State of residence: Sioux City, IA  
Criminal File Number: 14-194  
Charged: Ct. 1) Possession of Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance 22-42-5 (F5)  
Ct. 2) Ingestion 22-42-15 (M1)  
Ct. 3) Driving With Revoked License 32-12-65(2) (M1)  
Ct. 4) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia 22-42A-3 (M2)  
Date of Offense: June 7, 2014  
Indictment: September 3, 2014  
Arraignment: September 15, 2014  
Change of Plea Date: September 15, 2014  
Sentencing: November 3, 2014  
Convicted of: Ct. 1) Possession of Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance 22-42-5 (F5)  
Ct. 3) Driving With Revoked License 32-12-65(2) (M1)  
Original Arresting Officer: Officer Aaron Tyler – North Sioux City Police Department  
Deputy Jason Westcott – Union County Sheriff's Office  
Bond: 1,000 Cash  
Defendant's Attorney: Katie Johnson

### Case Synopsis:

Officer Aaron Tyler observed Katie Crippen driving and was aware that Crippen did not have a valid license. Officer Tyler advised that he observed Crippen pull into the Caseys' parking lot. Officer Tyler verified that Crippen's license was currently still revoked. Officer Tyler then approached Crippen who was sitting in her vehicle and addressed the driving while revoked issue. Crippen agreed to allow Officer Tyler search her vehicle. Officer Tyler found a coffee creamer container with a false bottom; a small scale (in her purse); and a sandwich baggy with the corner ripped off and tied (in her purse). Crippen provided a voluntary sample of her urine for testing which tested positive for amphetamine @ 30,272 ng/ml and methamphetamine @ 4,806 ng/ml.

### Sentencing Synopsis:

On the felony charge of possession of a schedule 1 or 2 controlled substance, Katie Crippen received a five (5) year suspended sentence and a requirement to successfully complete four (4) years of supervised probation. The court further ordered that Crippen serve thirty-five (35) days in the Union County Jail and then gave Crippen credit for the fourteen (14) days she spent incarcerated prior to being sentenced. Crippen was ordered to serve thirty (30) days in the Union County Jail starting immediately after the sentencing hearing was taken into custody after the hearing. Crippen was ordered and required to pay all, restitution, a fine of \$300.00, court costs, and prosecution costs, as well as his court-appointed attorney fees. Crippen was also ordered to cooperate in completing a chemical evaluation and a mental health evaluation as well as follow the recommendations and complete the programs as recommended

as a specific term of her satisfying her supervised probation.

On the misdemeanor charge of driving with a revoked license, Crippen was ordered and required to pay all, court costs, and prosecution costs, as part of her satisfying her supervised probation.

**Criminal History:**

This is Katie Crippen's first career felony conviction. As of this offense, this is Crippen's seventh contact with law enforcement that has created a file since 2010.