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Defendant's Name: Daniel Cromwell
Age: 24
City and State of residence: Sioux City, IA
Criminal File Number: 15-179
Offense Occurred On: June 2, 2015
Indicted: June 10, 2015
Plead Guilty On: July 20, 2015
Convicted of: Ct. 1: Fourth Degree Rape, SDCL 22-22-1(5), (F3)
Part Two Information – Habitual Offender
Sentencing Date: September 28, 2015

Case Synopsis:

On June 2, 2015 Daniel Cromwell was caught with a fifteen-year old female in his vehicle while the two of them were parked in amongst some grain bins in rural Union County. Cromwell was in a state of undress when he was approached by law enforcement. An interview of both Cromwell and the victim revealed that Cromwell had established an illicit sexual relationship with the fifteen-year old for more than 6 months. Daniel Cromwell admitted to the illegal acts that occurred with the victim, which was consistent with the information provided by the victim. Once incarcerated, Cromwell continued a letter writing relationship with another female of a legal age, which demonstrated Cromwell's intention to take advantage of the fifteen-year old victim.

The State also filed a habitual offender information alleging one previous career felony convictions which has the effect of raising the felony level of all charged offense one level. Cromwell's previous felony involved the stalking of another victim. The common theme of both of the crime charged and the previous offense is that both involved the victimization of the female victims.

Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of Fourth Degree Rape, Cromwell received a fifteen years with nine years suspended. The Court further ordered that Cromwell must pay the following:

- \$3,202.50 in Prosecution Costs;
- \$104.00 in Court Costs;
- \$239.95 in Restitution; and
- \$1,467.00 in Court Appointed Attorney Fees

Criminal History Synopsis:

This is Cromwell's second career felony conviction.