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## Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: Nicholas Harris  
Age: 22  
City and State of residence: Sioux City, IA  
Criminal File Number: 15-126  
Offense Occurred On: April 20, 2015  
Information: April 30, 2015  
Plead Guilty On: August 3, 2015  
Convicted of: Ct. 1: Poss. of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance, SDCL 22-42-5 (F5)  
Sentencing Date: September 14, 2015

### Case Synopsis:

Law Enforcement was called to Zort's Casino to confront a suspicious person believed to be armed. The North Sioux City police officers responded to the office of the Casino and monitored the subject on the video surveillance system. The officers observed that there were two subjects that appeared to be casing the casino and acting suspicious. Each suspect was approached by an officer. Nicholas Harris advised the officer that he was in possession of a marijuana pipe. Harris was asked if he had anything else in his possession. Harris admitted that he had a bag of methamphetamine on his person. Harris was placed under arrest. Harris provided a urine sample that tested positive for methamphetamine at 68,191 ng/ml, amphetamine at 9,406 ng/ml, and marijuana (THC) at 1,567 ng/ml.

### Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of Possession of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance, the Court sentenced Harris to serve a suspended five-year sentence to the penitentiary on the terms and conditions that he successfully complete a four-year term of supervised probation. The Court further ordered that Harris pay the following:

- \$10.00 in Prosecution Costs;
- \$104.00 in Court Costs;
- \$99.00 to the SD Drug Control Fund;
- \$500.00 in fines; and
- \$562.50 in Court Appointed Attorney Fees.

### Criminal History:

This is Nicholas Harris' first career felony conviction.