

March 16, 2015

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Defendant's Name: Tyler Hawkins
Age: 23
Residence: North Sioux City, SD
Criminal File Number: 14-423
Charges: Ct. 1: Hit and Run Accident Resulting in Injury (F6)
Ct. 2: Reckless Driving (M1)
Ct. 3: Failure to have Proof of Financial Responsibility (M2)
Date of Offense: August 31, 2014
Date of Indictment: November 19, 2014
Arraignment Date: January 5, 2015
Amended Complaint: February 24, 2015
Amended Charges: Ct. 1: Failure to Furnish Information in an Accident (M1)
Ct. 2: Reckless Driving (M1)
Ct. 3: Failure to have Proof of Financial Responsibility (M2)
Change of Plea Date: March 2, 2015
Convicted of: Ct. 1: Failure to Furnish Information in an Accident (M1)
Ct. 2: Reckless Driving (M1)
Ct. 3: Failure to have Proof of Financial Responsibility (M2)
Officer(s): Officer Eric Fay – North Sioux City Police Department
Deputy Dustin Sharkey – Union County Sheriff's Office
Officer Dereck McIntosh - North Sioux City Police Department

Case Synopsis:

On August 31, 2014 law enforcement was called to an injury accident in which the driver of the vehicle, Tyler Hawkins, left the scene of the crash. Hawkins had driven from the McDonalds parking lot across the road and into the ditch of the Goode To Go parking lot. Hawkins had missed the driveway and struck a rock in the midst of the crash which caused the air-bags to deploy. There were two females in the vehicle with Hawkins and one of the females required medical treatment and was transported by ambulance to a hospital in Sioux City, IA. Hawkins was not found until several hours later despite law enforcement's efforts to locate him. The above charges were the result of the evidence and investigation.

Sentencing Synopsis:

On March 2, 2015, Tyler Hawkins admitted to the following charges and received the following sentences:

Ct. 1: Failure to Furnish Information in an Accident (M1)

60 days in county jail with 60 days suspended; Pay all financial obligations within 30 days; No similar offenses within the next 6 months; and pay \$384.00 in fines and court costs.

Ct. 2: Reckless Driving (M1)

60 days in county jail with 60 days suspended; Pay all financial obligations within 30 days; No similar offenses within the next 6 months; and pay \$284.00 in fines and court costs.

Ct. 3: Failure to have Proof of Financial Responsibility (M2)

Pay \$166.00 in fines and court costs.