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## Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: Jay Jessen  
Age: 30  
City and State of residence: Wichita, KS  
Criminal File Number: 15-002  
Offense Date: January 1, 2015  
Arrestment Date: February 2, 2015  
Change of Plea Date: June 8, 2015  
Original Convicted of: Ct. I: Possession of Schedule III or IV Controlled Substance, SDCL 22-42-5, (F6)  
Original Date of Sentence: July 20, 2015  
Arresting Officer: Trooper Trent Heuertz, SD Highway Patrol

### Case Synopsis:

Jessen was the driver of a vehicle that was traveling 81 mph on Interstate 29 at mile marker 31 which was a 75 mph speed zone on January 1, 2015. The trooper also noted that the Jessen was unable to keep the vehicle within the lane. Jessen was accompanied by his 4 year old son. Jessen indicated that he had nothing illegal in the vehicle prior to the trooper deploying his canine partner. Jessen further stated that he did have some muscle relaxers in his possession. The drug dog alerted and indicated to the vehicle. Before searching the vehicle, Jessen admitted that he had some steroids in the vehicle. The following items were found during the search:

- Steroids;
- Alprazolam pills;
- Oxycodone;
- \$1,408.00 in cash in the glove box, which was seized as drug proceeds;

Jessen admitted that he knew he was not supposed to have the Steroids or the Alprazolam, however, he did provide a prescription for the oxycodone. Jessen admitted to using the Steroids and the Alprazolam.

### Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of possession of a schedule III or IV controlled substance charge, Jessen received the following financial obligation as a sentence that was required to be paid in full by 5:00 p.m. on July 20, 2015.

The Court further ordered that Jessen pay the following:

- \$104.00 in Court Costs;
- \$10.00 in Prosecution Costs;
- \$45.00 to the South Dakota Drug Fund;
- \$2,000.00 in fines; and
- Court Appointed Attorney Fees in the amount of \$1,408.00.

### Criminal History Synopsis:

This is Mr. Jessen's first career felony conviction.