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Defendant's Name: David Roth
Age: 34
City and State of residence: Sioux Falls, SD
Criminal File Number: 15-128
Violation Date: April 17, 2015
Indictment Date: April 22, 2015
Charges: Ct. 1) Grand Theft by Possession of Stolen Property, (F4);
Part II) Habitual Offender Information
Arresting Officer(s): Deputy Tim Peet ~ Union County Sheriff's Office
Deputy Jason Westcott ~ Union County Sheriff's Office
Sioux City Policeman ~ Detective Jeff Harstad
Defendant's Attorney: Rachel Rasmussen
Prosecuting Attorney: Alexis Tracy

Case Synopsis:

On April 17, 2015, Deputy Peet received a report from dispatch asking that all officers be on the lookout for white SUV with a complete plate description. The vehicle was involved in a retail theft from the Sioux City, IA, Best Buy store. Deputy Peet located the white SUV with the correct plate and stopped the vehicle on Interstate 29, a mile marker 5 northbound. There were two occupants in the vehicle, one occupant was David Roth, and the other was Rebeckka Ziebart. Both denied stealing anything from Best Buy. Detective Harstad interviewed each on the interstate where Deputy Peet had stopped them. A search warrant was written for the vehicle based upon the information that the Best Buy Loss Prevention department was able to provide about Roth and Ziebart. A search of the vehicle, pursuant to the signed search warrant, identified 54 items that were recovered that were believed to be stolen. These items had a retail value of \$7,544. Items were found with various types of security measures still attached to the packages. Additionally, a log was found which detailed a scheme by both in which they would steal from retailers and then sell the items at pawn shops. Upon further investigation, it was discovered that they couple had a goal of \$5,000 a day of retail theft. It is further believed that the scheme was a regular way of life in which they both relied on the proceeds to live, and to support their additions.

Original Sentencing Synopsis:

On June 9, 2016, the Court sentenced David Roth on the charge of Grand Theft, a class 4 felony. The Court considered the arguments of the State and the Defense, and sentenced Roth to a suspended seven-year sentence in the penitentiary, with term of supervised probation for two years. The Court Ordered that David Roth serve 65 days in the Union County Jail, the

Court then gave Roth credit for the 65 days he spent incarcerated prior to sentencing. David Roth was also Ordered to pay \$104 in Court Costs; \$96.10 in Prosecution Costs; and \$7,067.10 to the county for his Court Appointed Attorney Fees.

Criminal History:

This is David Roth's third career felony offense. David Roth also have other pending files at the time of this sentencing.

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