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Defendant's Name: Charles Shavies III
Age: 28
Residence: Oakland, CA
Criminal File Number: 15-206
Offense Occurred On: June 24, 2015
Indicted: July 8, 2015
Arraignment: July 20, 2015
Plead Guilty On: October 26, 2015
Convicted of: Ct. 1: Accessory to Grand Theft, 22-30A-17, 22-30A-1 & 22-3-3, (F5)
Ct. 7: Possession of Known Forged Instrument, SDCL 22-39-38, (F6)
Sentencing Date: December 7, 2015

Case Synopsis:

On June 24, 2015 Ashleigh Fontana, along with Shawna Roby, and Charles Shavies III, participated in a scheme to use a set of false identifications and false credit cards to secure \$5,000 from Liberty National Bank in North Sioux City. Their fraudulent act was successful. Bank officials became suspicious when Ashleigh and Shawna both came into the bank and attempted a second cash advance on the second set of false identifications and false credit cards. All three suspects were arrested by the North Sioux City Police Department. Multiple false identifications and false credit cards were discovered. Additional items and ledgers indicate that the three subjects were traveling the country conducting this same scheme.

Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of Accessory to Grand Theft, Shavies received a three year sentence to the South Dakota State Penitentiary. Shavies was given credit for the One Hundred and Sixty-Five days that he spent incarcerated prior to being sentenced. On the charge of Possession of Known Forged Instrument, Shavies received a two year sentence to the South Dakota State Penitentiary. The sentence in count 1 shall run concurrent with the sentence in count 7. The Court further ordered Shavies to pay his share of the restitution with his co-defendants; his court costs; his prosecution costs; and his court appointed attorney fees.

Criminal History:

Charles Shavies III has a long criminal history with only one other felony conviction. This is Charles Shavies III's second and third career felony convictions.