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## Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: John Vital  
Age: 19  
City and State of residence: Sioux City, IA  
Criminal File Number: 15-441  
Incident Date: December 5, 2015  
Indicted: January 11, 2016  
Arrested: January 25, 2016  
Plead Guilty On: February 1, 2016  
Court Disposition: Suspended Imposition of Sentence on Count. 1: Ingestion of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance, 22-43-5.1, (F5)  
Disposition Date: March 14, 2016  
Court Appointed Attorney: Jeff Myers

### Case Synopsis:

On December 7, 2015 Trooper Cody Jansen was running stationary radar on Interstate 29 at about 8:52 p.m. when Trooper Jansen could hear a vehicle approaching his location that obviously did not have a muffler attached. Markee admitted that he had failed to correctly install his exhaust system. A drug dog that was working the area did a perimeter search around the vehicle with the drug dog which indicated and alerted to Markee's vehicle. Christopher Everett was the front seat passenger with John Vital as the rear seat passenger.

Everett was found to have drug paraphernalia on his person. Markee had marijuana shake on his pants and on his driver's seat. Marijuana and paraphernalia was found under a seat and in a glovebox. John Vital was charged with several felony and misdemeanor offenses and admitted to the offense of ingestion of a 1 or 2 controlled substance.

### Sentencing Synopsis:

The Court granted John Vital a suspended Imposition of sentence and placed Vital on supervised probation for a term of four years. The Court further ordered that John Vital pay the following:

- \$250.00 in fines;
- \$104.00 in Court Costs;
- \$10.00 in Prosecution Costs; and
- \$573.00 in court-appointed attorney fees.

### Criminal History:

This is John Vital's first felony matter, which qualifies him for the suspended imposition of sentence. This type of sentence is given at the discretion of the Judge. If Mr. Vital is not successful with his supervised probation, then the Court could revoke this act of judicial clemency.