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Defendant's Name: John Hansen
Age: 52
City and State of Residence: Freeman, SD
Criminal File Number: 15-234
Incident Date: July 16, 2015
Indictment Date: July 29, 2015
Arraignment Date: September 14, 2015
Change of Plea Date: November 23, 2015
Date of Sentencing: November 23, 2015
Recharged / Convicted of: Ct. 1: Receiving a Wholesale Drug From Other Source, 36-11A-5, (M1)
Ct. 2: Failure to Have Proof of Financial Responsibility, 32-35-113, (M2)
Arresting Officer: Officer Aaron Tyler – North Sioux City Police Department
Court Appointed Attorney: Jeff Myers

Case Synopsis:

On July 16, 2015, Officer Tyler paced a vehicle traveling twenty-nine miles-per-hour in a fifteen miles-per-hours zone. The driver of the vehicle was identified as John Hansen. A pat-down search of Hansen revealed prescribed medications which, according to Hansen, he did not have a prescription for the medication in his possession. Hansen further advised that he was taking the medication regularly. Hydrocodone was found in Hansen's possession. John Hansen provided a urine sample that tested positive for Hydrocodone at a level of 4,783 ng/ml.

Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge in Count 1, for Receiving a Wholesale Drug from Another Source, which is a class one misdemeanor, the Court sentenced John Hansen with a suspended thirty days sentence in the county jail. The suspended sentence is conditioned upon the John Hansen satisfying a six month term of unsupervised probation which includes obeying all laws and paying all monetary obligations within thirty days (by December 23, 2015).

On the charge in Count 2, for Failure to Have Proof of Financial Responsibility, a class 2 misdemeanor, the Court sentenced John Hansen with additional fines and other financial obligations on this charge, all of which are to be paid within 30 days. Hansen's driver's license was suspended for thirty days on this offense.

Criminal History:

This offense is the extent of John Hansen's criminal history.