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Defendant's Name: Rick Spink
Age: 36
City and State of residence: North Sioux City, SD
Criminal File Number: 15-240
Date of Offense: July 18, 2015
Date of Indictment: July 29, 2015
Date of Arraignment: September 14, 2015
Change of Plea Date: November 9, 2015
Convicted of: Ct. 1A: Driving Under the Influence (3rd), 32-23-4, (F6),
Date of Sentencing: December 21, 2015
Arresting Officer: Officer Jon Feller – North Sioux City Police Department
Court Appointed Attorney: Jeff Myers

Case Synopsis:

On July 18, 2015 at about 2:49 a.m. Officer Feller of the North Sioux City Police Department responded to a call from Sioux City Night Patrol that was working under contract for security for Dakota Dunes. The report advised that they had a vehicle that was parked with a person inside the vehicle passed out with an alcoholic beverage container. The vehicle had its front tires up against the curb with its light on. The subject, later identified as Rick Spink, was in the driver's seat with the doors locked. The driver was drooling with french fries and a partial hamburger and some cash on his lap and in the passenger seat. The driver did not wake up easily and would fall back to sleep often. Once awake, he was able to open the door. Officer Feller conducted a DUI investigation and made an arrest for Driving while Under the Influence. A blood alcohol test was run on the Spink's blood sample with a result of .182 % BAC. A person is presumed to be under the influence with a .08% BAC blood test result.

Sentencing Synopsis:

The court sentenced Rick Spink to serve two years in the South Dakota State Penitentiary. The Court then suspended those two years under the terms and condition that Spink successfully complete his three year term of supervised probation. Spink was further ordered to serve sixty days in the Union County Jail as follows: Two days starting January 1, 2016; Two days starting January 8, 2016; Twenty-four days starting July 1, 2016; and thirty days starting January 1, 2017. Spink was fined \$700.00 along with his other monetary obligations. Spink's driver's license has also been suspended for one year from the date that he finishes his jail sentence.

Criminal History:

This is Rick Spink's first career felony offense. Spink's other offenses on his record is what elevated this file to a DUI 3rd.