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Defendant's Name: Keyanna Bryant
Age: 25
City and State of Residence: Sioux Falls, SD
Criminal File Number: 16-076
Incident Date: February 21, 2016
Indictment Date: March 2, 2015
Charges: 1) Possession of Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance (F5)
2) Possession of Marijuana (M1)
3) Possession of Paraphernalia (M2)
Arresting Officer: Trooper Cody Jansen - SDHP
Defense Attorney: Tom Frieberg
Prosecutor: Alexis A. Tracy

Arraignment Date: March 28, 2016
Change of Plea Date: June 13, 2016
Convicted of: 1) Possession of Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance, (F5), 22-42-5,
Date of Sentencing: June 13, 2016

Case Synopsis:

On February 21, 2016, Trooper Jansen observed a SD plated vehicle with only one plate. SD requires a plate on the front and back of every vehicle. The trooper also noticed that the driver kept weaving within its own lane. The vehicle was stopped on Interstate 29 at mile marker 37. The driver was identified as Stanley Johnson and the vehicle had an overwhelming odor of burnt marijuana coming from the interior of the vehicle. Johnson had an active warrant out of Minnehaha County. JOHNSON displayed signs of impairment. JOHNSON cooperated in DUI investigation. Trooper Jansen determined that JOHNSON was under the influence of marijuana and was arrested.

Preston Williams was identified as front seat passenger. WILLIAMS admitted that he had smoked marijuana earlier that day. WILLIAMS admitted that he had a bag of marijuana in his pocket. WILLIAMS was searched and the bag of marijuana was found and WILLIAMS was arrested.

Krista Kruckenberg was another passenger in the JOHNSON vehicle. KRUCKENBERG admitted that she had a baggie of marijuana in her purse. The purse was searched and the marijuana was found and KRUCKENBERG was arrested.

Keyanna Bryant was another passenger in the JOHNSON vehicle. BRYANT also stated that she had marijuana in her purse. BRYANT's marijuana was found and arrested. BRYANT was asked about the bulge in BRYANT's waist area. BRYANT retrieved the item from her pants which was a dollar bill with cocaine wrapped up inside it. BRYANT was arrested for the above referenced charges.

A search of the vehicle located another bag of marijuana located in the trunk behind the carpet on the driver's side.

Sentencing Synopsis:

On June 13, 2016, the Court addressed the class 5 felony charge in Count 1, for Possession of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance. The Court considered the arguments of the State and the Defense, the Court being satisfied that the ends of justice and the best interests of the public as well as the Defendant will be served by the Court exercising judicial clemency and issued a Suspended Imposition of Sentence to BRYANT. The Court further ordered that BRYANT be placed on supervised probation for a term of four-years. The Court ordered that BRYANT serve 60 days in the Union County Jail and suspended 45 days of that sentence. BRYANT was then given credit for the 15 days that BRYANT spent incarcerated prior to sentencing. BRYANT was ordered to pay the following monetary obligations: \$104 in Court Costs; \$10 in prosecution costs; \$54 in fees to the SD Drug Fund; and a fine in the amount of \$300. BRYANT was further ordered to pay \$855.60 in Court-Appointed Attorney Fees.

Criminal History:

This is BRYANT's first career felony offense which will be wiped from her record if she is successful throughout her probation.