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January 13, 2017

## Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: Natausha Fisher  
Age: 33  
City and State of residence: Dakota Dunes, SD  
Criminal File Number: 16-173  
Date of Offense: November 9, 2015  
Date of Indictment: April 20, 2016  
Date of Arraignment: May 9, 2016  
Offense(s) Charged: Ct.1: Possession of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance with Intent to Distribute, (F4)  
Ct.2: Possession of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance, (F5)  
Ct.3: Possession of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance, (F5)  
Ct.4: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, 22-42A-3, (M2)  
Change of Plea Date: August 8, 2016  
Convicted of: Ct.2: Possession of a Schedule 1 or 2 Controlled Substance, (F5)  
Date of Sentencing: October 3, 2016  
Officer: Chief Richard Headid – North Sioux City Police Department  
Officer Dustin Sharkey – North Sioux City Police Department  
Officer Samantha Close – North Sioux City Police Department  
SA Mark P. Minten – DEA  
Defense Attorney: Andrew Twinamatsiko  
Prosecutor: Alexis Tracy

### Case Synopsis:

On November 9, 2015, law enforcement had information that Kristopher Cummings was going to be in North Sioux City. CUMMINGS was arrested on an outstanding warrant. A search of CUMMINGS' residence revealed a Ruger 45. Law Enforcement also found the following illegal items within the CUMMINGS' residence to be multiple items of drug paraphernalia, and packages of methamphetamine. CUMMINGS' was interviewed and he admitted to officers where additional methamphetamine was located. Natausha FISCHER was interviewed as a resident of the CUMMINGS' resident. Some of the items were found in FISCHER's jewelry box.

### Sentencing Synopsis:

On October 3, 2016, the Court sentenced FISCHER on the class 5 felony charge of possession of a schedule 1 or 2 controlled substance. The Court considered the arguments of the State and the Defense, the Court determined that FISCHER shall serve a 5-year sentence to the penitentiary. The Court further ordered that FISCHER shall suspend 30 months of the sentence. FISCHER was ordered to pay \$104 in Court Costs; \$10 in Prosecution Costs; and \$253.00 to the county for his Court Appointed Attorney Fees.

**Criminal History:**

This is FISCHER's first career felony conviction. FISCHER's criminal history includes an OWI offense, and a sealed file.