
November 24, 2017

Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: Tanya Jeffords
Age: 31
State of residence: SD
Criminal File Number: 17-169
Incident Date: March 15, 2017
Indictment Date: May 17, 2017
Arraignment Hearing: July 10, 2017
Charges Files: Ct. 1: Possession of a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance, SDCL 22-42-5, (F5) 5/10
Ct. 2: Possession of a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance, SDCL 22-42-5, (F5) 5/10
Ct. 3: Ingestion of a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance, SDCL 22-42-5.1, (F5) 5/10
Ct. 4: Possession of Marijuana, less than 2 ounces, SDCL 22-42-6, (M1) 1/2
Ct. 5: Ingestion, SDCL 22-42-15, M1 1/2
Ct. 6: Failure to Send Child to School, SDCL 13-27-11, (M1) 1/2
Ct. 7: Contributing to the Abuse, Neglect, or Delinquency of a Minor, SDCL 26-9-1, (M1) 1/2
Ct. 8: Contributing to the Abuse, Neglect, or Delinquency of a Minor, SDCL 26-9-1, (M1) 1/2
Ct. 9: Inhabiting Room Where Controlled Substance Illegally Stored or Used, SDCL 22-42-11, (M1) 1/2
Ct. 10: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, SDCL 22-42A-3, (M2) 30/500
Change of Plea Date: September 11, 2017
Date of Sentencing: October 16, 2017
Convicted of: Ct. 1: Possession of a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance, SDCL 22-42-5, (F5) 5/10
Ct. 7: Contributing to the Abuse, Neglect, or Delinquency of a Minor, SDCL 26-9-1, (M1) 1/2
Ct. 8: Contributing to the Abuse, Neglect, or Delinquency of a Minor, SDCL 26-9-1, (M1) 1/2
Ct. 9: Inhabiting Room Where Controlled Substance Illegally Stored or Used, SDCL 22-42-11, (M1) 1/2
Arresting Officer: Officer Derek McIntosh
Defense Attorney: Tom Frieberg
Prosecution Attorney: Jerry A. Miller

Case Synopsis:

On March 15, 2017, Officer Derek McIntosh of the North Sioux City PD, started an investigation based on a welfare check on one of the Defendants, children who had been absent from school since February 27, 2017. After a few attempts during the day LE was able to make contact with the Defendant. The Defendants youngest child was present when they arrived on scene. The Defendant admitted to smoking Marijuana and at that point LE obtained a Search Warrant. After obtaining the Search Warrant LE found, Methamphetamine Pipes, Marijuana and

multiple other Drug Paraphernalia items in the house. The Methamphetamine pipes were sent to the State Health Lab and came back positive for Methamphetamine. The Defendant's UA also came back positive for Methamphetamine with a level of 6,742 ng/ml and positive for THC with a level of 323 ng/ml.

Sentencing Synopsis:

AS TO THE CHARGE in Count 1: Possession of a Schedule I or II Controlled Substance, a violation of SDCL 22-42-5, a class 5 felony; IT IS ORDERED that the Defendant shall be placed on **supervised probation** for a period of Four (4) years, based on the following terms and conditions:

1. The Defendant shall be placed under the supervision of the Chief Court Officer, or her representative, for a period Four (4) years. The Defendant shall sign and comply with all terms of Adult Probation Agreement.
2. The Defendant shall obey all federal, state and local laws.
3. That the Defendant shall not possess or use any alcoholic beverages, or use or possess any controlled drugs or illegal substances, including marijuana, while on probation with the exception of medications lawfully prescribed and ingested according to the doses prescribed by a licensed physician.
4. The Defendant shall waive his/her Fourth Amendment right against warrant-less random search and seizure by his/her Probation Officer and/or any law enforcement officer upon request, to include the Defendant's person, vehicle, and residence. This waiver shall include the Defendant submitting to a UA, breathe or other bodily substance upon request. The Defendant shall remain responsible for the costs of all UA's or any other substance tests.
5. The Defendant shall obtain a Chemical Dependency Evaluation and he/she shall successfully complete any and all treatment and aftercare, and follow all recommendations of the treatment provider.
6. Court Services shall have the discretion to require the Defendant to participate in the CBISA program, MRT program or other classes and programming as Court Services may direct during the term of probation.
7. Court Services shall have the discretion anytime during the term of probation to require the Defendant to participate in the Drug Patch Program and/or SCRAM or 24/7 Programs.
8. Court Services shall have the discretion to require the Defendant to obtain a mental health assessment or treatment and aftercare, and follow all recommendations of the treatment provider.
9. The Defendant shall pay all monetary obligations as Ordered by this Court as a term of satisfying Defendant's probation. The Defendant shall work with her probation officer and establish a minimum monthly payment plan and forward payments to the Clerk of Courts.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Defendant shall pay the following amounts to the Union County Clerk of Courts (209 East Main Street, ~ Suite 230, Elk Point, SD 57025): Court Costs of One Hundred and Four (\$104.00) Dollars; Prosecution Costs in the amount of One Hundred and Forty-Three (\$143.00) Dollars; and Costs payable to (South Dakota Drug Control

Fund, 1302 East Highway 14, Suite 5, Pierre, SD 57501) in the amount of One Hundred and Fifty-Three (\$153.00) Dollars.

AS TO THE CHARGE in Count 7: Contributing to the Abuse, Neglect, or Delinquency of a Minor, a violation of SDCL 26-9-1, a class 1 misdemeanor, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Defendant shall pay the following amounts to the Union County Clerk of Courts (209 East Main Street, ~ Suite 230, Elk Point, SD 57025): Court Costs of Eighty-Four (\$84.00) Dollars; and a Fine in the amount of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars.

AS TO THE CHARGE in Count 8: Contributing to the Abuse, Neglect, or Delinquency of a Minor, a violation of SDCL 26-9-1, a class 1 misdemeanor, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Defendant shall pay the following amounts to the Union County Clerk of Courts (209 East Main Street, ~ Suite 230, Elk Point, SD 57025): Court Costs of Eighty-Four (\$84.00) Dollars; and a Fine in the amount of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars.

AS TO THE CHARGE in Count 9: Inhabiting Room Where Controlled Substance Illegally Stored or Used, a violation of SDCL 22-42-11, a class 1 misdemeanor, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Defendant shall pay the following amounts to the Union County Clerk of Courts (209 East Main Street, ~ Suite 230, Elk Point, SD 57025): Court Costs of Eighty-Four (\$84.00) Dollars; and a Fine in the amount of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Defendant shall pay the following amounts Ordered by the Court – To the Union County Auditor (209 East Main Street, ~ Suite 200, Elk Point, SD 57025): Court Appointed Attorneys Fees in the amount of Seven Hundred and Twenty-Eight (\$728.50) Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents. It is further ORDERED that Union County is awarded a Judgment for said Court Appointed Attorney Fees in this matter.

Criminal History Synopsis:

Tanya Jeffords qualified for the Court to consider her request for a suspended imposition of sentence. The Court exercised its right by statute for judicial clemency. If Tanya Jeffords violates probation she could lose this privilege. If she is successful throughout her term of supervised probation this file will be sealed from the public's view.