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Defendant's Name: Stephanie Thompson
Age: 41
City & State of residence: Sioux City, IA
Criminal File Number: 14-070
Original Arrest Date: March 13, 2014
Indictment Date: May 7, 2014
Arraignment Date: May 19, 2014
Change of Plea Date: August 18, 2014
Original Convicted of: Possession of Controlled Substance (Meth), (F5) 22-42-5
Operating a Motor Vehicle w/o a License (M2) 32-5-98
Original Sentence Date: September 29, 2014
Original Arresting Officer: Aaron Tyler – North Sioux City Police Department
Defense Attorney: Rachel Rasmussen
Prosecution Attorney: Jerry A. Miller

1st Probation Violation Date: November 21, 2014
Probation Violation: 1) Failed to follow all terms; 2) Possessed alcohol or drugs;
3) Failed to get or complete a chemical dependency evaluation and
/ or complete the treatment; 4) Failed to make payments on
financial obligations; 5) Failed to maintain employment or stay
enrolled in an education program.
Date of PV Disposition: July 20, 2015
Defense Attorney: Rachel Rasmussen
Prosecution: Alexis A. Tracy

2nd Probation Violation Date: March 7, 2016
Probation Violation: 1) Failed to follow all terms; 2) Absconded from Probation.
Date of PV Disposition: November 28, 2016
Defense Attorney: Tom Frieberg
Prosecution: Alexis A. Tracy

Case Synopsis:

On March 13, 2014, North Sioux City Police Officer, Aaron Tyler observed Thompson's vehicle without a license plate. Stephanie Thompson advised that she had been driving the vehicle for 3 to 4 months after she purchased the vehicle without properly registering and licensing the vehicle. Thompson consented to a search of her vehicle which revealed a baggy of marijuana. Thompson admitted that she had consumed marijuana about two weeks prior to this stop. Officer Tyler arrested Thompson for the multiple violations. While on the phone with a

friend, Thompson advised that friend that she forgot that the marijuana was in her make-up bag. Thompson consented to provide a urine sample for testing. The urine tested positive for 11,546 ng/ml of amphetamine and 47,740 ng/ml of methamphetamine. Thompson was indicted for ingestion of a schedule 1 or 2 controlled substance, a class 5 felony due to her positive urine results.

Original Sentencing Synopsis:

Thompson's was sentenced on the class 5 felony offense of ingestion of a schedule 1 or 2 controlled substance to a suspended five (5) year sentence to the state penitentiary on the terms and conditions that Thompson successfully complete supervised probation, and pay all financial obligations for the next four (4) years. Thompson was also ordered to serve 90 days in the Union County jail of which Thompson was required to serve 30 days immediately before with the remainder of the 60 days suspended.

1st Probation Violation Disposition Synopsis:

Thompson's was re-sentenced on the class 5 felony offense of ingestion of a schedule 1 or 2 controlled substance to a suspended five (5) year sentence to the state penitentiary on the terms and conditions that Thompson successfully complete supervised probation, and pay all financial obligations for the next four (4) years. Thompson was also ordered to serve 26 days in the Union County jail of which Thompson was given credit for the 26 days she spent incarcerated until this probation violation matter was resolved.

2nd Probation Violation Disposition Synopsis:

On November 28, 2016, The Court re-sentenced THOMPSON following the 2nd probation violation on the class 5 felony offense of ingestion of a schedule 1 or 2 controlled substance. THOMPSON was sentenced to serve 90 days in the Union County Jail, with 48 days suspended. The Court granted work release. The Court ordered that THOMPSON serve and additional 10 day to apply at \$60 per day toward THOMPSON's fines (\$600). Thompson is required to pay all financial obligations which include: \$170 in Court Costs; and \$1,323.50 in Court-Appointed Attorney Fees.

Criminal History Synopsis:

This is Stephanie Thompson's second probation violation on her first career felony conviction.