
November 15, 2017

Press Release - For Immediate Release

Defendant's Name: Tillman Taylor
Age: 35
State of residence: SD
Criminal File Number: 17-125
Incident Date: on or between February 19, 2017 and April 16, 2017
Indictment Date: April 19, 2017
Arraignment Hearing: April 24, 2017
Superseding Complaint: May 12, 2017
Superseding Information: May 12, 2017
Change of Plea Date: May 22, 2017
Date of Sentencing: May 22, 2017
Original Charges: Ct. 1: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(4), (M1) 1/2
Ct. 2: Simple Assault Against Law Enforcement Officer, SDCL 22-18-1.05, (F6) 2/4
Ct. 3: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(4), (M1) 1/2
Ct. 4: Intentionally Causing Assault with Bodily Fluids (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-26.1, (M1) 1/2
Ct. 5: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(4), (M1) 1/2
Ct. 6: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(1), (M1) 1/2
Ct. 7: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(1), (M1) 1/2
Convicted of: Ct. 1: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(4), (M1) 1/2
Ct. 2: Simple Assault Against Law Enforcement Officer, SDCL 22-18-1.05, (F6) 2/4
Ct. 5: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(4), (M1) 1/2
Ct. 7: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(1), (M1) 1/2
Arresting Officer: Officer David Steckelberg - BPD
Defense Attorney: Pro Se – Defendant Represented Himself
Prosecution Attorney: Jerry A. Miller

Case Synopsis:

On the afternoon of April 16, 2017, it was reported to law enforcement in Beresford that a Domestic Assault. Officer David Steckelberg of the Beresford, SD, responded to the disturbance. Law enforcement determined that Tillman Taylor was the prominent aggressor in a Domestic Dispute with his wife. Tillman Taylor assaulted his wife, E.T, on multiple occasions and was arrested for such. Tillman Taylor resisted arrested and kicked Beresford Chief Police in the leg while resisting arrest.

Sentencing Synopsis:

AS TO THE CHARGE Count 2: Simple Assault Against Law Enforcement Officer, SDCL 22-18-1.05, a class 6 felony; IT IS HEREBY ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Tillman Taylor shall serve Two (2) years in the South Dakota State Penitentiary. It is further ORDERED that Court shall SUSPEND the EXECUTION of the Two (2) years of Tillman Taylor's sentence upon Tillman Taylor satisfying the following terms and conditions. It is further

ORDERED that Tillman Taylor shall be placed on supervised probation for Three (3) years and must satisfy the following terms and conditions:

1. Tillman Taylor shall be placed under the supervision of the Chief Court Officer, or his representative, for a period of Three (3) years. Tillman Taylor shall sign and comply with all terms of Adult Probation Agreement.
2. Tillman Taylor shall obey all federal, state and local laws.
3. That Tillman Taylor 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. Tillman Taylor 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 Tillman Taylor's person, vehicle, and residence. This waiver shall include Tillman Taylor submitting to a UA, breathe or other bodily substance upon request. Tillman Taylor shall remain responsible for the costs of all UA's or any other substance tests.
5. Tillman Taylor shall not possess any weapons or firearms while on probation.
6. Tillman Taylor shall set-up and participate in marital counseling while on probation.
7. Tillman Taylor shall be on the 24/7 or SCRAM program for a period of Ninety (90) days, and shall comply with all the rules of the program as a condition of probation. Tillman Taylor shall be responsible to pay all costs associated with the 24/7 or SCRAM program.
8. Tillman Taylor shall obtain a chemical dependency evaluation within Thirty (30) days of his release from custody and successfully complete any and all treatment and aftercare, and follow all the recommendations of the treatment provider.
9. Court Services shall have the discretion to require Tillman Taylor to participate in the CBISA program, MRT program or other classes and programming as Court Services may direct during the term of probation.
10. Court Services shall have the discretion anytime during the term of probation to require Tillman Taylor to participate in the Drug Patch Program and/or SCRAM or 24/7 Programs.
11. Tillman Taylor shall pay all monetary obligations as Ordered by this Court as a term of satisfying Defendant's probation. Tillman Taylor shall work with his probation officer and establish a minimum monthly payment plan and forward payments to the Clerk of Courts.

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Tillman Taylor shall serve a sentence of Eighty (80) Days in the Union County Jail. It is FURTHER ORDERED that Tillman Taylor shall receive credit for Seventy (70) days that Tillman Taylor spent incarcerated prior to disposition.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tillman Taylor 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 Four (\$104.00) Dollars; and fine in the amount of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tillman Taylor's Count II sentence shall run concurrent to his Count I, V, and VII sentences.

AS TO THE CHARGE in Count 1: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(4), a class 1 misdemeanor; IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Tillman Taylor shall serve One Hundred Eighty (180) Days in the Union County Jail and that the Court is Suspending all One Hundred Eighty (180) Days on the following terms and conditions:

1. Tillman Taylor shall have no like offense for One (1) year.
2. Tillman Taylor shall not possess any weapons or firearms while on probation.
3. Tillman Taylor shall pay all monetary obligations as Ordered by this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tillman Taylor 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 Domestic Violence Fee in the amount of Twenty-Five (\$25.00) Dollars.

AS TO THE CHARGE in Count 5: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1(4), a class 1 misdemeanor; IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Tillman Taylor shall serve One Hundred Eighty (180) Days in the Union County Jail and that the Court is Suspending all One Hundred Eighty (180) Days on the following terms and conditions:

1. Tillman Taylor shall have no like offense for One (1) year.
2. Tillman Taylor shall not possess any weapons or firearms while on probation.
3. Tillman Taylor shall pay all monetary obligations as Ordered by this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tillman Taylor 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 Domestic Violence Fee in the amount of Twenty-Five (\$25.00) Dollars.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tillman Taylor's Count V sentence shall run consecutive to his Count I sentence.

AS TO THE CHARGE in Count 7: Simple Assault (Domestic), SDCL 22-18-1 (1), a class 1 misdemeanor; IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Tillman Taylor shall serve One Hundred Eighty (180) Days in the Union County Jail and that the Court is Suspending all One Hundred Eighty (180) Days on the following terms and conditions:

1. Tillman Taylor shall have no like offense for One (1) year.
2. Tillman Taylor shall not possess any weapons or firearms while on probation.
3. Tillman Taylor shall pay all monetary obligations as Ordered by this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tillman Taylor 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 Domestic Violence Fee in the amount of Twenty-Five (\$25.00) Dollars.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court expressly reserves control and jurisdiction over Tillman Taylor for the period of his probation and that the Court may revoke the suspension at any time and reinstate the sentence without diminishment or credit for any of the time Tillman Taylor was on probation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court reserves the right to amend any or all of the terms of this Order at any time.

Criminal History Synopsis:

This is Tillman Taylor's first felony conviction for the class 6 felony offense of Simple Assault Against Law Enforcement Officer. Taylor was also convicted of three class one misdemeanor offenses including: Simple Assault (Domestic); Simple Assault (Domestic); and Simple Assault (Domestic). In addition to these Union County Charges, Mr. Taylor, has pending criminal matters to take care of in Yankton for a probation violation. Mr. Taylor's history includes a Brooking County misdemeanor charges for some type of electronic harassment. He also has a second non-extraditable warrant out of Arkansas.