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PRESS RELEASE

Hockema Sentenced to 26 months



Coquille, OR September 19th, 2014 Michael Eugence Hockema was sentenced to twenty-six months in prison after a two day jury trial.

The sentence stem from two incident dates.

In June 2013, Coos County Dunes Deputies and a United States Forest Service Officer initiated contact with Hockema in Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area. An investigation commenced after deputies saw the defendant in possession of a restricted weapon and learned he was on felony probation for Unlawful Possession of Marijuana, Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Unlawful Possession of MDMA. A search of Hockema's truck revealed over 3 grams of heroin. In addition to the illegal possessed weapon Hockema was also in possession of over \$400 in cash.

On September 10th, 2014 a Coos County twelve person jury found Hockema guilty of Unlawful Possession of Heroin and Felon in Possession of a Restricted Weapon. The jury also found Hockema met the commercial drug offense factors.

Per Oregon Sentencing Guidelines, Hockema was sentenced to twenty-six months in custody followed by thirty-six months post prison supervision.

In January, 2014 Coos County Parole and Probation requested the assistance of SCINT to respond to the defendant's residence at 93298 Luscombe Loop in Coos Bay. It was reported Hockema, who was on formal probation at the time, was dealing heroin from the location. SCINT detectives assisted at the residence with interviews of Hockema, Marilyn Reynolds and a juvenile female.

SCINT detective searched the residence with the assistance of a Confederated Tribal Police officer, a Coquille Tribal Police officer and a drug detection K-9. Throughout the residence marijuana paraphernalia was located in addition to heroin use paraphernalia and a digital scale in the closet which contained heroin residue.

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In a concurrent jury trial on September 10, 2014, the twelve person jury found Hockema guilty of Unlawful Possession of Heroin and Frequenting a Place Where Controlled Substances are Used.

Hockema was sentenced to sixty days in custody to run concurrent with his twenty-six months Department of Corrections sentence.

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