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TERRILL WALKER, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

Michael C. Carr, State's Attorney for Jackson County, Illinois, announced today that Terrill A. Walker, age 42, of Carbondale, Illinois, was sentenced in Jackson County Circuit Court to the Illinois Department of Corrections after entering an open plea of guilty to Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance.

On February 28, 2017, Terrill A. Walker was stopped by an officer of the Carbondale Police Department for a traffic offense. During the stop Walker was asked to provide his identification, at which time he provided the officer with his brother's name and birthdate.

There was an outstanding warrant for Walker's brother, and other officers were called to assist in the arrest. When additional officers arrived, they were familiar with Terrill A. Walker and identified him as the driver. It was determined that Walker's driver's license was suspended, and he is currently on federal parole after having been convicted of Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Distribute and Use of a Firearm during Drug Trafficking. Walker was placed under arrest for Driving While License Suspended. Upon a search incident to arrest officers found 1.2 grams of cocaine in Walker's pocket.

Possession of a Controlled Substance is a Class 4 Felony. Walker was sentenced to serve two (2) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a one (1) year period of Mandatory Supervised Release. The defendant was extended term eligible due to his prior criminal history which means he could have been sentenced to from three (3) to six (6) in the Department of Corrections.

This matter was investigated by the Carbondale Police Department. Assistant State's Attorney Analisa Parker was responsible for the prosecution of this case.