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MAURICE BARNEY, MURPHYSBORO, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR DRUG CHARGES

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that Maurice Barney, age 60, Murphysboro, Illinois, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for charges of Unlawful Manufacture/Delivery of Controlled Substance and Unlawful Delivery or Possession with the Intent to Delivery Methamphetamine.

During the month of June 2017, officers from the Jackson County Sheriff's Department and the Murphysboro Police Department were working with a confidential source for an ongoing investigation of the distribution of illegal drugs in Jackson County. On June 6, 2107, officers conducted a controlled transaction in which the confidential source purchased 0.9 grams of a substance containing cocaine from the defendant and another individual. On June 27, 2017, the confidential source, working with officers to make another controlled buy, purchased less than five grams of methamphetamine from the same individuals.

On March 16, 2018, Barney pled guilty to the charges of Unlawful Manufacture/Delivery of a Controlled Substance, a Class 2 Felony; and Unlawful Delivery or Purchase with the Intent to Deliver Methamphetamine or a Substance Containing Methamphetamine, a Class 2 Felony, and was sentenced to serve three (3) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, followed by a two-years of mandatory supervised release on each count.

The investigation was conducted by the Jackson County Sheriff's Office and the Murphysboro Police Department. Assistant State's Attorney Mark Hamrock was responsible for the prosecution of this case.