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Narcotics Investigation Results in Multiple Charges Against a Rockford Man

FOR THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS, THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVING COMPLAINTS FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING A SUBJECT DEALING NARCOTICS IN THE 1100 BLOCK OF 20TH STREET. AFTER AN INVESTIGATION, A RESIDENCE WAS IDENTIFIED AS BEING THE SOURCE OF THE NARCOTICS COMPLAINT. ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020, AT APPROXIMATELY 2:45PM, THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT NARCOTICS UNIT EXECUTED A SEARCH WARRANT AT THE RESIDENCE. DURING THE EXECUTION OF THE SEARCH WARRANT, DEPUTIES LOCATED OVER 150 GRAMS OF COCAINE, A LOADED HANDGUN, UNITED STATES CURRENCY, AND NARCOTICS PACKAGING MATERIAL. THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REVIEWED THE FACTS OF THE CASE AND AUTHORIZED THE FOLLOWING CHARGES:

FRANCISCO A. URESTI JR. (DOB: 10/13/93) OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS

- POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DELIVER COCAINE (100-400 GRAMS)
- UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPONS BY A FELON
- POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
- POSSESSION OF A FIREARM WITHOUT REQUISITE FIREARM OWNER'S IDENTIFICATION CARD

THE CHARGES AGAINST FRANCISCO A. URESTI JR. ARE MERELY ACCUSATIONS AND HE IS PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY IN A COURT OF LAW.

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