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People v. Richard Ford, 2020 CF 242

Richard Ford, formerly of 621 Winkler Road, Danville, Illinois, was sentenced yesterday, March 2, 2021, by Circuit Judge Charles Hall to ten (10) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections for the offense of Methamphetamine Possession, a Class X Felony. Day-for-day sentencing credit applies, and the sentence shall be followed by two (2) years of Mandatory Supervised Release (*i.e.*, Parole).

In November of 2017, Agents with the Vermilion County Metropolitan Enforcement Group (VMEG) were conducting an investigation concerning a local drug dealer. During that investigation, the Agents received information that a large amount of narcotics would be located at 621 Winkler, Danville, Illinois. Upon obtaining a judicially authorized search warrant for that address, the Agents executed the order and located Ford along with over 200 grams of methamphetamine. Ford was cooperative with law enforcement and admitted to possession of the dangerous substance.

“Methamphetamine continues to be a tremendous threat to Vermilion County,” noted State’s Attorney Jacqueline Lacy, “and thankfully we have the Agents of VMEG working hard every day to help confront, contain, and hopefully overcome this blight on our community.”