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Ricky Price sentenced to 25 years for Drugs and Assault on a Police Officer While Resisting Arrest

Charleston, S.C. – A Charleston County found Ricky Jerome Price (DOB 5/22/1980) guilty of Trafficking Cocaine, Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine within a Half Mile Proximity of an Elementary School, Trafficking Crack Cocaine, Possession with Intent to Distribute Crack Cocaine within a Half Mile Proximity of a School, Manufacturing Crack Cocaine, Manufacturing Crack Cocaine within a Half Mile Proximity of a School, Assault on Police Officer while Resisting Arrest, and Possession of Marijuana.

Upon conviction, Circuit Court Judge Deadra L. Jefferson sentenced Price to a term of 25 years in the department of corrections.

On July 13, 2007, a North Charleston Police Department (“NCPD”) Narcotics Unit executed a search warrant on a residence on Grayson Street in North Charleston. Upon entry, NCPD officers saw Price and another co-defendant in the kitchen with tools that are consistent with manufacturing crack cocaine. Price immediately dropped what he was doing and ran to the rear bedroom in an attempt to escape. Once in the bedroom, officers fought with Price until he was placed in custody. Price had trafficking weight of cocaine in his pocket, along with crack cocaine, marijuana, and \$1,038.00 dollars in cash. The kitchen area of the house was set up for manufacturing crack and trafficking weight of crack cocaine was found in the kitchen. A South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (“SLED”) laboratory report found 28 grams of cocaine, 16 grams of crack cocaine, and 7 grams of weed.

Assistant Solicitors Peter McCoy and Culver Kidd prosecute the case. “I’m pleased with the work of the NCPD Narcotics Unit. They executed this case in a first class manner. It is a huge relief to know that the children and people of that community have one more drug dealer off the streets,” said McCoy.

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