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CRIMINAL DIVISION  
CROWN POINT, INDIANA

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STATE OF INDIANA, )

*John Maksimovich*  
CLERK LAKE SUPERIOR COURT

Plaintiff, )

V )

CAUSE NO. 45G02-1004-FB-00030  
45G02-1004-FB-00032

DENISE CROUTHERS, )

Defendant. )

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ORDER

12-08-10

The State of Indiana appears by Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Angela Matton. The defendant, Denise Crouthers, appears in person with Attorney John Maksimovich. The defendant having entered a plea of guilty, pursuant to a plea agreement, which is accepted on this date, the Court now enters judgment of conviction for the offense of Count II, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Class C Felony in Cause No. 45G02-1004-FB-00030.

STATE OF INDIANA  
LAKE COUNTY  
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**SENTENCING STATEMENT:**

Having considered the written presentence investigation report, the contents of which the Court incorporates by reference, as well as, I.C. 35-38-1-1.3 and I.C. 35-38-1-7.1, the Court now enters the following findings and sentence:

FINDINGS:

**Aggravating Circumstances:**

1. The defendant has a history of misdemeanor convictions.

**Mitigating Circumstances:**

1. The defendant admitted her guilt by way of plea agreement, thus saving the Court and the tax payers of this county the time and expense of a trial.

After presentation of evidence and hearing argument, the court finds that the aggravating factors equally balance the mitigating factors and the agreed term as stipulated to by the parties to be a reasonable and appropriate sentence based on the law and facts of the case.

SENTENCE:

Pursuant to the terms of the plea agreement, the Court now sentences the defendant as follows:

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The defendant is now ordered committed to the custody of the Department of Correction for classification and confinement in a medium security facility for a period of four (4) years, to be served in Lake County Community Corrections Division, with initial placement into the Female Work Program.

The defendant is to receive credit for **234** days spent in confinement as a result of this charge, plus **234** days of good time credit as provided by law for a total of **468** days credit toward the sentence of imprisonment.

The defendant is assessed a Drug Abuse, Prosecution, Interdiction and Correction Fee of \$200.00, which the Court orders reduced to a judgment against the defendant.

The defendant shall pay a court costs fee in both causes, which the Court orders reduced to a judgment against the defendant.

The defendant has been advised of her postconviction relief rights and appeal rights.

The defendant is remanded to the Lake County Community Corrections Authorities for execution of the judgment of the court.

Pursuant to the terms of the plea agreement, the State of Indiana files a motion to dismiss Count I in Cause N o. 45G02-1004-FB-00030 and Cause No. 45G02-1004-FB-00032, which is granted. The clerk is directed to notify Lake County Community Corrections. Cause is disposed. (Anita L. Gladdis reporting.)

SO ORDERED:

  
CLARENCE D. MURRAY, JUDGE, ROOM II. (Sjm)

State of Indiana v DENISE CROUTHERS  
Cause No. 45G02-1004-FB-00030  
Cause No. 45G02-1004-FB-00032

**CERTIFICATION OF CLERK**  
As legal clerk for the court, I certify that the above  
and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the  
original on file with me in the court records  
thereon.

Witness my hand and the seal of the court this  
2ND day of DECEMBER 2010.

Clerk of the Court  
By: Kathy Anderson