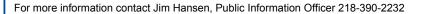


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DATE: 09/14/2012

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Duluth Man Formally Charged with Second Degree Possession of Heroin

CASE NO.: 12178158

INCIDENT DATE: 09/12/2012

INCIDENT TIME:

INCIDENT LOCATION: 500 block of West Superior Street

SUBJECT: Duluth Man Formally Charged with Second Degree Possession of Heroin

BY: DPD Public Information Officer Jim Hansen (218) 390-2232

On Wednesday, September 12th, 2012 Andrew Wayne Clarke DOB: 10/21/1966 was arrested in the 500 block of West Superior Street by investigators from the Lake Superior Drug and Violence Crimes Task Force (LSDVCTF) with assistance from the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (BATFE). Clarke had two outstanding Saint Louis County Warrants for Controlled Substance Crimes in the Third Degree. During the arrest Clarke had 8.3 grams of heroin on him

Clarke is responsible for distributing substantial quantities of heroin in the Twin Ports area over the past two years. We requested that the Saint Louis County Attorney's Office make an argument to the judge for high bail because we feel he is a danger to the community. That is based on the dramatic increase in heroin overdoses, both fatal and non-fatal that have occurred recently.

Andrew Wayne Clarke has the following felony convictions:

- Uttering a Forged Check 1984
- Burglary in the Second Degree 1985
- Offering a Forged Check 1985
- Controlled Substance Crime in the First Degree (2 separate convictions) 1994
- Fourth Degree Assault 2006
- Fifth Degree Possession of Controlled Substance 2007
- Identity Theft 2008
- Fifth Degree Possession of Controlled Substance 2008
- Theft from a Person 2010

Andrew Clarke was transported to the Saint Louis County Jail and has been formally charged with 2 counts of Second Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance.

