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### **SOUTH ELGIN WOMAN FACES FELONY CHARGE FOR ANIMAL CRUELTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES FIND 11 MALNOURISHED DOGS, 3 DEAD DOGS**

June 10, 2020

Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon has charged 27-year-old **Emily A. Chesterfield** with the offense of aggravated cruelty to animals, Class 4 felony.

Kane County prosecutors allege that on May 30, 2020, Kane County Sheriff's deputies and Kane County Animal Control personnel responded to Chesterfield's home on West Drive and discovered three dead dogs, all in various states of decomposition, in the home and on the property. They found an additional 11 dogs on the property that were determined to be malnourished and in poor health. Animal Control personnel removed the live dogs from the home, which was found to be unsafe and unsanitary.

A judge on June 8, 2020, issued a warrant for Chesterfield's arrest and set her bail at \$5,000. Chesterfield surrendered June 9 to the Kane County Sheriff's Office, posted \$500 bond and was released.

Chesterfield's next court appearance for 9 a.m. June 23, 2020, in Courtroom 313 at the Kane County Judicial Center.

The charges against Chesterfield are not proof of guilt. Chesterfield is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the state's burden to prove her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

**Emily A. Chesterfield:** Age 27 (d.o.b. 2-27-1997), of the 7N block of West Drive, South Elgin, Illinois. Case No. 20CF1022.