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### **CARPENTERSVILLE DRUG DEALER GETS 11 YEARS**

#### **LaMELLE JOHNSON TRIED TO EAT COCAINE AS POLICE APPROACHED WITH WARRANT**

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A Carpentersville man will go to prison for possessing cocaine he planned to deliver.

52-year-old **Lamelle T. Johnson** today agreed to a sentence of 11 years' imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to the offense of unlawful possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, Class X felony.

Kane County Circuit Judge John A. Barsanti accepted the plea.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Mark D. Stajdohar stated in court that at about 4:45 p.m. Nov. 2, 2018, Carpentersville police served a search warrant at Johnson's residence in the 1100 block of Chippewa Circle, Carpentersville. Johnson saw the officers approach his home and closed and locked his door. When officers entered Johnson's home, they found him in his bedroom shoving cocaine into his mouth. As an officer approached him, Johnson threw cocaine in the officer's face. Officers found in Johnson's home just less than 28 grams of cocaine with an estimated street value of \$2,790, three digital scales with cocaine residue, and \$8,148 in cash.

Johnson was previously convicted of a 1990 cocaine delivery charge in Kane County and served a 2-year prison sentence. He also has numerous convictions for traffic offenses since 1990, including a 2012 DUI conviction.

In accordance with Illinois law, Johnson is eligible for day-for-day sentencing. Johnson receives credit for 342 days served in the Kane County jail, where he has been held since his arrest in lieu of \$500,000 bail.

**Lamelle T. Johnson:** Age 52 (d.o.b. 6-22-1967), of the 1100 block of Chippewa Circle, Carpentersville, Illinois. Case No. 18CF2170.