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# PRESS RELEASE

## **Hinds County Offender Christopher Sheriff, Sentenced to 30 years for Drug Offenses and various other charges.**

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For Immediate Release

(Jackson, Miss) Hinds County District Attorney Robert Shuler Smith announced today that on May 19, 2017, the Honorable Judge Winston Kidd sentenced habitual offender, Christopher Sheriff, to 30 years in the custody of the Mississippi Department of Corrections for the charge of Possession of Cocaine with the intent to distribute. Sheriff was also convicted for possession of marijuana with the intent to distribute; 2 counts of aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer and felony leaving the scene of an accident.

Sheriff pled guilty to all charges. He received a sentence of 30 years in the custody of the Mississippi Department of Corrections with 5 years suspended, 25 years to serve and 5 years of supervised probation. He received 10 years for each count of aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer; 20 years for possession of marijuana with the intent to distribute and 10 years for felony leaving the scene of an accident.

On June 17, 2015, Jackson Police Officers obtained a search warrant for a hotel room occupied by Christopher Sheriff. In the room, officers located large quantities of cocaine and marijuana; officers also confiscated \$700.00 in currency and a number of weapons. Sheriff was taken into custody.

On October 11, 2013, JPD officers were working a safety check point when Sheriff drove up and refused to produce an I.D. Sheriff attempted to drive off and two officers were injured during his attempt to flee. On August 16, 2014, Sheriff engaged in a race with a motorcyclist on Interstate 55. The motorcyclist careened out of control and crashed. Sheriff's vehicle drug the motorcyclist several feet; Sheriff got out and looked at the motorcyclist and left the scene. This matter was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kimalon S. Campbell.

Hinds County District Attorney Robert Shuler Smith stated, "Christopher Sheriff will spend a significant amount of time in prison and will no longer be able to wreak havoc on the community of Hinds County". Smith further stated, "Those persons who choose to commit crimes in Hinds County will be dealt with severely."