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RE: State v. Brandon Randall

On Friday, June 27, 2025, Brandon Randall, 30, of Aberdeen, was convicted of Controlled Dangerous Substance (CDS) Possession With Intent to Distribute Cocaine, Contraband With Intent to Distribute, two counts of Possession of Contraband in a Place of Confinement, and two counts of CDS Possession - Not Cannabis following a three-day jury trial before the Honorable M. Elizabeth Bowen in the Circuit Court for Harford County.

Evidence presented at trial proved that on August 12, 2024, at approximately 9:30 a.m., deputies with the Gang Intelligence Unit of the Harford County Detention Center received an email from Detective DeFazio of the Harford County Sheriff's Office regarding inmate Brandon Randall. Detective DeFazio informed the deputies that Randall alluded to having contraband in the detention center on a jail call. On that call, the called party stated, "You didn't have nothing on you, did you?" Randall responded by stating, "Yeah, I got it. I got it like literally. It was easy. That's how I'm 'gonna' eat."

Deputies conducted a search of Randall's cell and found a partial sublingual film strip of Suboxone, a Schedule II Controlled Dangerous Substance, and a plastic baggie containing seven (7) small yellow containers filled with what was later determined to be Cocaine, a Schedule II Controlled Dangerous Substance.

An expert witness testified that Randall's statements on the phone call were in reference to him selling contraband to other inmates, and cocaine separated into 7 containers indicates that the containers are meant for distribution.

Following the guilty verdict, State's Attorney Alison M. Healey issued the following statement: "To continue committing crimes while incarcerated shows a pattern of criminal conduct and a complete disregard for the laws that govern us. I commend the staff of the Harford County Sheriff's Office for their diligence in monitoring these calls and the staff of the Harford County Detention Center for ensuring that all illegal contraband is seized and that inmates in possession are held accountable." Sentencing will be set at a later date.

Additionally, State's Attorney Healey acknowledges Assistant State's Attorney Megan Lintott for her efforts in preparing and presenting this case at trial.

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