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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that **Jeffery E. Aldridge (DOB: 9/10/1977)** was found guilty of Delivery of a Controlled Substance and Resisting a Peace Officer after a bench trial before the Honorable Judge Jennifer Clifford.

On January 12, 2025, Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with an expired registration. After the vehicle came to a stop, deputies attempted to approach the subject, but he walked away from the traffic stop. The man, identified as the defendant Jeffery Aldridge, would not stop when asked by deputies, then tried to physically fight with them when they attempted to detain him. After several attempts by deputies, Aldridge was taken into custody. Deputies found a large amount of money in the defendant's right pants pocket. A search of the immediate area around the defendant's vehicle was conducted and deputies located two clear plastic baggies containing a white powdery substance. During an inventory search of the defendant's vehicle, deputies also found a large black plastic bag with multiple other clear plastic bags inside containing white powdery substance. One of those bags contained approximately 164 grams of a substance that was later determined to be cocaine. The total amount of cash located was close to \$2,000

Possession with Intent to Deliver Cocaine is a Class X Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 9-40 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections followed by three years of mandatory supervised release.

Resisting a Peace Officer is a Class A misdemeanor that is punishable by a sentence of up to one year in the Winnebago County Jail.

Aldridge is schedule to appear in court again on April 29, 2026, in front of Judge Clifford in Courtroom C of the Winnebago County Criminal Justice Center.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorneys Alex Ronning and Evan Pinsel are handling the prosecution.



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