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COLUMBIA, S.C. – Former SCDC employee Kevin Leroy Howard pleaded guilty today to trafficking methamphetamines, possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, misconduct in office and providing contraband to inmates.

Howard, 37, was sentenced by Circuit Judge J. Derham Cole Jr. to a total of four years in prison – three years for the drug charges and an additional year for the misconduct and contraband charges, to run consecutively.

Howard was a correctional officer at Tyger River Correctional Institution when he was arrested in July 2023 after attempting to bring cylinders filled with drugs into the institution concealed in his dinner.

The case was prosecuted by SCDC Special Assistant Attorney General Margaret Scott and was investigated Special Agent Trevor Sherbert of SCDC's Office of the Inspector General.