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IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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Jacob Case Johnson
949 N. Highway 313
Bernalillo, NM 87004

MAGISTRATE COURT
DIVISION I&III

HT: 6'00" WT: 160 lbs. HAIR: Brn EYES: Blue

DATE FILED: 4/22/17

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

The undersigned, being duly sworn, on his oath, states that he has reason to believe that on 21th day of April, 2017 in the County of SANDOVAL, State of New Mexico, the above-named defendant(s) did commit the crime of: Murder (Open Count), and Tampering with Evidence.

To Wit:

On April 21, 2017 at approximately 10:30pm I received information that Rio Rancho Police Department had information related to a possible murder that occurred in Sandoval County Sheriff's Office's jurisdiction. I made contact with Detective Rick Romero of RRPD who provided the following information:

On Friday April 21, 2017 at 12:29 pm the Sandoval County Regional Dispatch received a call in regards to a deceased individual who appeared to be dumped out in the mesa just east of Mariposa in Rio Rancho, NM 87144. The location of the dumpsite was located down a dirt road directly across from the entrance to Mariposa. The location of the site was in small arroyo approximately a mile east of Unser Blvd. The GPS coordinates of the location were 35.343597 -106.648257.

The individual who located the deceased subject was jogging in the area with her dogs when she discovered the body. At 2:30 p.m., I (affiant) received a phone call from Sgt. Rodney Montoya who requested my assistance on scene and briefed me on the situation. I proceeded to the scene to assist with the investigation.

Upon arrival at the scene I was briefed and I was escorted to the area where the body was located in the arroyo. I walked down the dirt road and saw the decedent appeared to be a male who was in the arroyo with a wood pallet and partial wood fencing thrown on top of him to cover his body. I could see that the males clothing had suspected blood on them. Around the body were several yellow "Squirt" soft drink cans as well as well as silver beer cans. Several of the cans around the body appeared to have suspected blood on them. On the dirt road above the body was several items in the roadway. There were sheet metal screws, wood or bark from a tree, a black plastic bottle cap, a gold Allen wrench, and a nail. It appeared that these items possibly could have fallen out of a vehicle used to transport the body to the location. A few feet further down the road at an intersection was located a small handheld sledge hammer that appeared to have suspected blood on it.

Investigators from the Office of Medical Investigators (OMI) arrived on scene and assisted with the investigation. When the scene was processed the wood pallet was removed from the top of the decedent along with the partial wooden fencing that was on him. I observed a white plastic trash bag with a red drawstring that had suspected blood on it. The trash bag was filled with aluminum cans consisting of several more yellow "Squirt" soft

drink cans and beer/malt liquor cans. Two wallets were found on the decedent and they both appeared to belong to an individual identified as **Donald Casey Kalma**. A California ID was located showing Mr. Kalma's Date of birth as [REDACTED]. A social security number was also located.

The decedent had blood on his face and when the Medical Investigator examined his body Skull fractures were located on the back of the decedents head. I observed a large wound to the back of the decedents head and another wound below the large wound. I also observed the injuries to the decedents left ear and saw a contusion on his Adams Apple area of his neck. It is unknown at this time what type of weapons caused the several wounds that were found. More specifically it is unknown at this time if the large wound in the back of the decedents head was caused by blunt force trauma, sharp force trauma, or possible gunshot wound.

Investigating officers learned that Mr. Kalma resides at [REDACTED] Bernalillo NM 87004. Investigating officers went to the scene and were able to make contact with several family members of Mr. Kalma's. Investigating officers obtained consent to look around the property. The property contained two family dwellings and a detached garage with a loft where Mr. Kalma lived.

When investigating officers looked around the property several vehicles were seen. One particular light blue over blue older model Ford truck was located. The truck had a broken rear window and when investigating officers looked in the bed of the truck they could see that it appeared to be recently washed out due to puddles of water that were observed. There appeared to be suspected blood in the bed of the truck within the puddles of water. The ground around the truck was also wet. A sheet metal screw matching the ones found at the crime scene was observed in the back of the truck. Wood or bark were also seen in and around the truck and one yellow "Squirt" soft drink can was inside the bed of the truck as well.

Investigating officers also located numerous yellow "Squirt" cans and cases around the property. A wooden fence was located on the property that appeared to be the same as the partial fencing that was found on top of the decedent at the scene where he was located. White plastic trash bags with red drawstrings were observed around the property. Investigating officers also located suspected blood on a property building.

At the address listed at [REDACTED], I made contact with the defendant and requested he accompany me to the Rio Rancho Police Department where he could answer questions in reference to the death of Mr. Kalma. Upon arrival he was escorted to an interview room where he was continuously recorded on video and audio. I advised the defendant of his Miranda rights and requested he voluntarily acknowledge it verbally and in written form. After assuring he understood his constitutional rights, Detective Romero and I began to question the defendant. During our interview the defendant admitted to and described the following events.

During the evening of April 20, 2017 the defendant and his brother, Liam Charles Johnson discussed matters related to their relationship being disrupted by the victim, Mr. Kalma. After a long discussion, it was decided that the defendant and Liam would kill Mr. Kalma by possibly stabbing or beating him to death. In the early morning of April 21, 2017 Liam and the defendant arrived at the residence of Mr. Kalma and as the defendant waited outside the entry to Mr. Kalma's apartment, Liam entered the residence with the intent of stabbing Mr. Kalma. Upon entry, Mr. Kalma was found to be awake and mistook Liam for a different member of the family. Liam aborted the knife attack and lured Mr. Kalma outside the residence. Liam left, followed by Mr. Kalma. As Mr. Kalma exited the door, the defendant described striking him in the back of the head with such force it "dropped him like a sack of potatoes". The defendant stated he used a 3lb sledgehammer to strike Mr. Kalma in the back of the head. As Mr. Kalma lay on the ground "gurgling", the defendant struck him again two or three times in the head. Liam and the defendant moved the body of Mr. Kalma to the east side of the residence where Mr. Kalma began to "gurgle" once more. At this time Liam retrieved the sledgehammer and struck him two or three additional times in the head.

Liam and the defendant proceeded to load Mr. Kalma in the back of his 1972 Blue Ford F100 truck with pallets and a garbage bag filled with "squirt" cans, commonly collected by Mr. Kalma. Liam and the defendant proceeded to drive to the location indicated above, with the defendant specifically recalling the area and describing the location. Once at the ravine, both Liam and the defendant removed Mr. Kalma from the vehicle and "tossed" his body in the ravine. The pallets and trash was thrown over the body in an attempt to hide the remains and prevent discovery. The 3lb sledgehammer was "tossed" away from the body as both parties drove away from the scene. The defendant described the events as "justified" due to Mr. Kalma's constant disruptions and his "coming between brothers". The defendant stated he believed killing Mr. Karma was going to be a "bonding" activity.

-----NO FURTHER INFORMATION-----

I SWEAR OR AFFIRM UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FACTS SET FORTH ABOVE ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY INFORMATION AND BELIEF. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE, SUBJECT TO THE PENALTY OF IMPRISONMENT TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN A CRIMINAL COMPLAINT.

If Probable Cause Determination is required:

Probable Cause Found _____; Not Found _____

(If not found, complaint dismissed & defendant released)

Date: _____

Judge: _____


Signature of Complainant

Franklin Tomlinson
Printed Name of Complainant

Detective
Title:

Approved: _____
Title: _____

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