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AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST WARRANT

S. A. CASE NO.
DIVISION
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CCR NO. 2024-00089598
JUDGE *J. Higginbotham*

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF NASSAU)

Before me the undersigned Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Nassau County, Florida, personally came **C. Copher 1221**, who, being duly sworn deposes and says that he has reason to believe and does believe that one **Brian Roger Housend**, described as follows: Last Known Address: [REDACTED] Race: **WHITE**; Sex: **MALE**; DOB: [REDACTED] Ht: **5'11"**; Wt: **180**; Hair: **Brown**; Eyes: **BROWN**; Scars, Marks: **UNKNOWN**; did in Nassau County, Florida, on or between 5/10/2024 and 9/10/2024, commit the below-listed offenses, contrary to the provisions of Florida Statutes:

- 1 **787.01; 775.087(1)(a) – Armed Kidnapping with a Firearm (Life Felony)**
- 2 **836.10 – Written or Electronic Threats to Kill or do Bodily Harm (Second Degree Felony)**
- 3 **784.048(3) – Aggravated Stalking (Third Degree Felony)**

Affiant's reasons for so believing are as follows:

Your affiant is a sworn law enforcement officer with 8 years' experience as a Nassau County Sheriff's Office and is currently assigned to the patrol division.

On 9/10/2024 I responded to [REDACTED] in reference to an ongoing dispute between the victim, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Brian Housend ("Suspect"). Per [REDACTED] late that evening she observed what she believed was a green laser shining into the window of her home. [REDACTED] believed it was the type of laser that could be attached to a firearm. [REDACTED] also believed, based on an ongoing pattern of threats she had been receiving from [REDACTED] Suspect, that it could have been him shining the laser into her home. She knows that Suspect has a large collection of firearms that he owns for personal and professional use (Suspect is employed as an officer with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office).

During my investigation [REDACTED] further elaborated that she had been receiving threatening emails from Suspect throughout the day and was in fear that things would escalate between her and Suspect. [REDACTED] provided copies of the emails containing the threats she had received that day. All emails provided by [REDACTED] are incorporated herein as "Exhibit A." The most recent concerning emails are as follows:

On 9-10-2024 [REDACTED] emailed Suspect the following:

Brian,

You can email me with what you want to talk about. This is the only communication that I will have with you. You have harassed, stalked, and threatened to harm me and that was not reasonable So it is reasonable that I choose to only communicate with you via email. I will reiterate that you are not allowed on this property. You have to notify me of what days you want the [REDACTED] through emails. This is the only acceptable way. The other possibility is through a court monitored app but calling or texting is not an option. Please let me know when you would like the [REDACTED] via email and it would be smart to notify me before you have solidified your plans so we can work together and around our respective plans. I am pleased that you finally want to spend time with your [REDACTED] They are looking forward to it.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

Later on 9-10-2024 Suspect replied with the following:

[REDACTED]

Due to this [REDACTED] stopped responding to Suspect's emails and called your affiant to the home to investigate further.

In addition to the emails [REDACTED] provided Affiant with text messages dating back to 5-10-2024. All text messages provided by [REDACTED] are incorporated herein as "Exhibit B."

Several times between 05-10-2024 and 08-13-2024 Suspect makes statements to [REDACTED] threatening bodily harm if she refuses to allow him back into her life or let him move back into their [REDACTED] and continue their life as a [REDACTED]

In multiple messages [REDACTED] states that she is refusing to rekindle her relationship with Suspect, citing prior incidents of violence, prior threats of violence towards her, and prior threats of violence in front her their [REDACTED]. Despite [REDACTED] making serious allegations about Suspect's prior violence and threats of violence, Suspect never denies or attempts to minimize her allegations. Instead, Suspect would continue the conversation trying to coerce her back into a relationship.

Excerpts of the text conversation between [REDACTED] and Suspect include the following exchanges (See Exhibit B for the complete messages):

From [REDACTED] on 5-11-24: "You threatened my life! You scared [REDACTED] because he heard that!!!!" "What the hell!" "I will never trust you."

Suspect responded: [REDACTED]

From [REDACTED] on 6-4-24: "When I think of cold and heartless, I think of someone who physically hurts another and promises to fix things, and then two nights later is fucking Stef in her (or his) police car while she is working off duty."

Suspect responded: [REDACTED]

From [REDACTED] on 6-6-2024: "You threatened to kill me and [REDACTED] and he heard! What the hell kind of [REDACTED] does that!!!!!!!!!!!!, Enjoy what's coming to you"

Suspect responded: [REDACTED]

From [REDACTED] on 6-6-2024: "Brian you threatened to kill me. It is reasonable that I should not take you back. [REDACTED] saw you take the rifle out of the gun safe that night in February when you hurt me. You can't undo that."

In response Suspect does not deny this happened and instead answers by blaming [REDACTED] for calling internal affairs about his infidelity.

When asked about the context of this message [REDACTED] told me that an incident occurred on 2-28-2023 where Brian had physically abused her when trying to pry her cellphone from her hands. While that was occurring [REDACTED] entered the bedroom because of the commotion caused by the struggle. Following the struggle, Suspect grabbed a Colt rifle out of the gun safe without any provocation or explanation; an act [REDACTED] considered threatening. [REDACTED] explained that, as a result of the injuries she sustained, she had to go to the hospital for treatment; first to Baptist Primary in Callahan and then to Baptist North. [REDACTED] stated that she told the treating physicians that the injuries were the result of falling down, but stated that she lied about that out of fear for the

way Suspect would respond if she were to have told the truth [REDACTED] showed your Affiant photos of her injuries which included swelling and bruising around her right eye, as well as swelling and redness to her upper lip.

Additionally, on 6-15-2024 the suspect sent the following messages:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] responded to these messages by pleading "Brian please refrain from threatening me. You scare me" Brian did not stop and continued to try and coerce her into a relationship.

Importantly, prior to most of the above text messages being sent, On 5-15-2024 [REDACTED] tells Suspect to "Please stop sending harassing texts. If you want to have a conversation about the [REDACTED] please text. Otherwise you have no reason to contact me." On 5-17-2024 [REDACTED] emphasizes that message by saying "I want to limit the manipulation and games." "I will reiterate this from my previous texts and our recent phone call, if you contact me by phone, I will record our conversations and will let you know at the beginning of the call each time, but if you need to contact me email me. You may text me if it's regarding the [REDACTED] You are not to come out here unless I give you permission."

This sentiment is emphasized several additional times over the next several months, but despite her wishes regarding contact, Suspect continues to text, call, and email [REDACTED] in a threatening and harassing manner. Over the course of the following months, the texts continue to become more threatening and harassing in nature with suspect making the following threats:

From [REDACTED] on 6-6-2024: "Brian I'm just trying to live my life in the aftermath of everything. You I sit on rehashing everything."

Suspect responds: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From [REDACTED] on 6-19-2024: "Brian, I am not seeing you tonight. Please stop these threatening conversations. Text me regarding the [REDACTED] only."

Suspect responds [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On 6-28-2024 [REDACTED] makes reference to being called a "stupid fuck" by Suspect. When your Affiant asked what that is in reference to, [REDACTED] stated that she had a phone conversation with Suspect where suspect threatened to kill her. As per her prior warnings, [REDACTED] recorded the phone call between herself and suspect. Your Affiant listened to the call and on that call, Suspect tells [REDACTED] that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From [REDACTED] on 6-29-2024: "Call your therapist! Help her ground you. Brian we are not getting back together. Go with your girlfriend! Let her ground you too! Take the [REDACTED] and hangout with her. Go to the beach and the pool. Spend it with the [REDACTED]"

Suspect Responds: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Later on 6-29-2024, when [REDACTED] is not responding to Suspect, Suspect states the following: [REDACTED]

On 7-3-2024, while attempting to convince [REDACTED] to let him back into her life, Suspect states [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] responds: "Please stop Brian. Let me go. We are done. You need to let me go so you can move on with Annie. She is fabulous. Stop contacting me regarding our relationship that is no more. Please... [REDACTED]"

From [REDACTED] on 7-11-2024: "Brian, what you did today was crossing the line. You blew the line up. Brian when you tell me that you will kill me unless I give you another chance is not you being good. You are terrorizing me and held me hostage in the house today. You can't do this to me anymore. Please stop. You want to be a good person then show me by being a [REDACTED] Please stop hurting and threatening me."

Suspect responds: [REDACTED]

When asked what these and several following messages were in regards to [REDACTED] explained that, on 7-11-2024 Suspect came uninvited to her house in his marked JSO patrol car, in his JSO uniform, wearing his JSO service weapon. Once there, he began beating on [REDACTED] back door. [REDACTED] reluctantly let Suspect into her home where initially they had a civil conversation. According to [REDACTED] that conversation eventually shifted to a threatening conversation where suspect reiterated that if [REDACTED] would not get back with him he would kill her then and there. At one point, when [REDACTED] told Suspect that she would not get back with him, Suspect told her to go outside so he could "take care of it." [REDACTED] refused and sat at a computer chair with her back to Suspect because she believed that Suspect would be less likely to kill her if he had to shoot her in the back. While suspect was threatening her, [REDACTED] states that he was snapping and unsnapping the holster carrying his service pistol in an overtly threatening manner. [REDACTED] states that she was in fear for her life and believed that Suspect was going to kill her. [REDACTED] also states that did not feel she was free to leave and that she was confined in her home. Additionally, [REDACTED] was able to activate the record feature on her phone and she has a recording of this encounter saved.

The texts following the message on 7-11-2024 provide corroboration to the above:

From [REDACTED] on 7-12-2024: "Brian I need you to gain sanity. You threatened to kill me yesterday. Go live your life with Annie and grow with her."

Suspect Responds [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] responds: "Quit terrorizing me."

Suspect responds: "Then give in [REDACTED]"

[REDACTED] responds: "No. You were going to kill me yesterday Brian."

Suspect responds [REDACTED]

On 8-10-2024, after multiple unanswered messages sent by Suspect to [REDACTED] Suspect sent the following: [REDACTED]

When asked [REDACTED] Stated that she took these messages as a threat that Suspect may take drastic actions against her to include killing her.

In a text message sent on 8/11/2024 Brian states:

[REDACTED] This message came after 39 consecutive messages were sent by the suspect without a response from [REDACTED]. Many of these messages are in a harassing in nature. On each day following the above message on 8-11-2024 Suspect sends [REDACTED] a message counting down the days to 9-24-2024.

On 8-13-2024 [REDACTED] blocked her phone from receiving any additional messages from Suspect and told Suspect "I am blocking you. Do not contact or show up at the house."


Following [REDACTED] blocking Suspects messages, Suspect began emailing [REDACTED]. On 8-13-2024 Suspect sends an email to [REDACTED] that includes the sentence [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Suspect signs the message "Brian Housend."

The following day Suspect sends an additional email that includes the phrase [REDACTED]


Further, it is worth noting that, per [REDACTED] Suspect has a "Type 03 FFL," a type of federal firearms license that allows suspect to own types of firearm, and suppressors for those firearms, not lawful for persons without said FFL. Victim states that she knows Suspect to have a collection of firearms including an estimated twenty to thirty guns. It's based on this information, as well as the history of violence and the relentless pattern of harassing and threatening messages that makes suspect believe the threats contained in the messages are credible threats.

After review of both the emails and texts it was determined that, the defendant willfully, maliciously and repeatedly harassed the victim and in doing so, made multiple credible threats with the intent to put the victim in reasonable fear of death and physical injury.



Affiant, Deputy C. Copher (#1221)
Nassau County Sheriff's Office
Criminal Investigations Division

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of September, 2024, by the aforementioned Affiant [] who is personally known to me or [] who has produced _____ as identification and who did take an oath.



Sergeant Brady Truman (1229)
Nassau County Sheriff's Office
Criminal Investigations Division

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IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
TO ALL SINGULAR THE SHERIFFS OR DEPUTY
SHERIFFS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

WHEREAS, upon the sworn affidavit, complaint or other sworn testimony of **C. Copher**, the undersigned Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Nassau County, has found that there exists probable cause to believe that one **BRIAN ROGER HOUSEND**, did on or between 5/10/2024 and 9/10/2024, in Nassau County, Florida commit the below-listed offenses, contrary to the provisions of Florida Statutes:

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- 2 836.10 – Written Threats to Kill (Second Degree Felony)
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You are HEREBY COMMANDED to arrest **BRIAN ROGER HOUSEND**, Last Known Address: [REDACTED]; Race: **WHITE**; Sex: **MALE**; DOB: [REDACTED] Ht: **5'11"**; Wt: **180**; Hair: **BROWN**; Eyes: **BROWN**; Scars, Marks: **UNKNOWN**; if he be found in your county, and safely keep him so that you have his body before a Judge of the Nassau County Circuit Court, at the Courthouse in Yulee, instantler, to be dealt with according to law.

Appearance bond is fixed at: \$ 1,000,000.00 for Count 1
Appearance bond is fixed at: \$ 150,000.00 for Count 2
Appearance bond is fixed at: \$ 100,000.00 for Count 3


Given under my hand and seal this 12 day of September, 2024.



Judge of the _____ County _____ Court of the Fourth
Judicial Circuit in and for Nassau County, Florida

NCSO Recommended Extradition Code: C / Z / S / E / D (Circle One)

Received this Arrest Warrant the 12th day of September, 2024, and executed it on the 12th day of September, 2024, by arresting the within named Brian Housend and having him / her now before the Court this 12th day of September, 2024.


Arresting Officer: Copher ID#: 1221
Agency: NCSO

Duty Section: _____

JAIL DOCKET NO. _____