

LPD Case Number: C3-112535

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA


CP24-1

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEARCH WARRANT
OF THE DESCRIBED PREMISES OF
LINCOLN POLICE PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE UNIT
575 SOUTH 10TH STREET
LINCOLN, LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

SEARCH WARRANT RETURN

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
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) ss.
COUNTY OF LANCASTER)

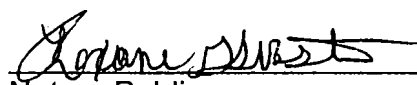
The undersigned states that he received the Search Warrant issued herein on the 18th day of January, 2024, and that he executed the same on the 18th day of January, 2024, by seizing the property described in the Inventory filed herein and by delivering a copy of the Search Warrant for the said property at the place from which the property is taken.



Jon Rennerfeldt #1563

SUBSCRIBED to in my presence and sworn to before me this 23rd day of January, 2024.

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CLERK OF THE
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Notary Public





INVENTORY

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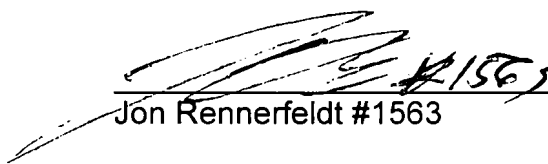
STATE OF NEBRASKA)) COUNTY OF LANCASTER)	ss.	<p style="text-align: center;">INVENTORY OF PROPERTY SEIZED BY VIRTUE OF THE SEARCH WARRANT ISSUED HEREIN</p>
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Jon Rennerfeldt, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says the following is an inventory of the property seized by virtue of the Search Warrant issued herein:

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the following described property seized from the Dark Blue Motorola Smartphone, to include any digital device within, located in the Lincoln Police Property and Evidence Unit at 575 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, labeled with Property Number Q2400645 and Case Number C3-112535.

Full file system data extraction from phone narrowed to data between dates December 18, 2023 to January 10, 2024.

Inventory made in the presence of John Donahue #715.



 Jon Rennerfeldt #1563

SUBSCRIBED to in my presence and sworn to before me this 23rd day of January, 2023.



 Notary Public

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
ROXANE G WESTON
 My Comm. Exp. April 2, 2025

RECEIPT

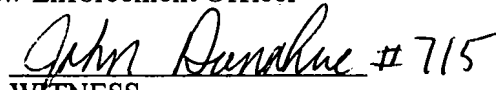
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DATED this 17th day of January, 2024


Law Enforcement Officer

 #715
WITNESS

IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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STATE OF NEBRASKA)
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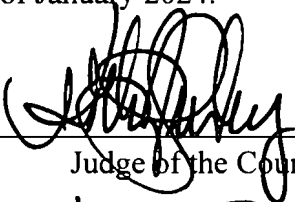
TO: Jon Rennerfeldt, a law enforcement officer with the Lincoln Police Department, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, any and all law enforcement officers, and agents thereof.


WHEREAS, Jon Rennerfeldt has filed an Affidavit before the undersigned Judge of the County Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska, and said written Affidavit, having been duly considered, the court finds that the facts set forth in said Affidavit are true, and that those facts do constitute grounds and probable cause for the issuance of a Search Warrant.

THEREFORE, you are commanded to search and seize the items as described in **Attachment A**, hereby attached and incorporated by reference, to include any specific authorization as contained in **Attachment A**.

THEREFORE, you are commanded to execute and return this Search Warrant in the manner as prescribed in **Attachment A**.

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of January 2024.



Judge of the County Court

Holly J. Parsky

Printed Name of Judge

ATTACHMENT A: Digital Device(s) to Be Searched

Law enforcement and those assisting law enforcement is directed to seize and search the following:

- **Dark Blue Motorola Smartphone**, to include any digital device within, located in the Lincoln Police Property & Evidence Unit at 575 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, labeled with Property Number **Q2400645** and Case Number **C3-112535** for the following evidence, to include any live and/or deleted data to include including any live and/or deleted data for the time frame of December 18, 2023, to January 10, 2024, specifically for the seizure of following items:
 1. Device identifiers, information and configurations.
 2. User account information and any associated accounts on the device.
 3. Call logs.
 4. Contact lists.
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3. Obtain data by making unobtrusive revocable setting changes to permit the digital extraction of the data unless the digital device requires disassembly to obtain the desired data which may render the device inoperable;
4. Copy, forensically image, view, photograph, record, and/or conduct forensic analysis of the data obtained;
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6. Be required to examine every file and scan its contents briefly to determine whether it falls within the scope of the warrant. This is necessary as it is difficult to know prior to the search the level of technical ability of the device's user and data can be hidden, moved, encoded or mislabeled to evade detection.
7. Remove the digital device to another location conduct the digital forensic examination and/or analysis.

The search of digital devices is a lengthy process requiring special steps to ensure the integrity of the digital devices. In the event the search and/or seizure of evidence is not completed within ten (10) days, law enforcement is authorized to return the search warrant within ten (10) days upon completion of the search and seizure.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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STATE OF NEBRASKA)
) ss. AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT
COUNTY OF LANCASTER)

Jon Rennerfeldt, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and states that he is an Investigator for the Lincoln Police Department, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. AFFIANT states he is currently involved in the investigation of a Theft by Unlawful Taking 28-511 (Class 2A felony), occurring on December 18, 2023, at 2830 Fletcher Avenue, Lincoln, Lancaster County Nebraska. AFFIANT has reviewed case reports regarding this investigation prepared by other involved Law Enforcement Officers.

Attachments

Include Name of Attachment Exactly

- Attachment A: Dark Blue Motorola Smartphone in LPD Property Q2400645
- Attachment B: Technical Information Regarding the Search of Digital Devices.

The above are hereby attached and incorporated by reference.

Affiant's Background

Your AFFIANT has been a police officer for the Lincoln Police Department since 2006. Since 2006 Affiant has been investigating misdemeanor and felony crimes with the Lincoln Police Department to include homicide, burglary, robbery, assault, weapon offences, narcotics, sexual assault, human trafficking, child enticement, and pornography. Your AFFIANT has training and experience in conducting criminal investigations.

This Affidavit is submitted in support of a search warrant. Since this Affidavit is being submitted for the limited purpose of securing a search warrant, your AFFIANT not set forth every fact known to me regarding this investigation. The statements contained in this Affidavit are based in part on the investigation that your AFFIANT has conducted, and information provided to your AFFIANT by other law enforcement officers verbally, and through written reports.

Case Facts

On December 19, 2023, at approximately 1642 hours, Savannah Sanchez and Rolando Sanchez, victims, reported a theft of multiple storage bins/ totes from their detached apartment garage #52 (Northridge Heights Apartments). Savanah stated she received a

phone call from the apartment manager that their garage was left open, and a neighbor saw two individuals looking through their garage. Savannah and Rolando both said multiple items were missing including Rolando's comic book collectable/action figures and Savannah's porcelain Christmas angles which were passed down by her grandmother. The totes the items were stored in were plastic and were a range of colors from black with yellow lids, clear with white/grey lids, clear with red lids, light grey with grey lids, and red with red lids. Samara Sabin, a witness, stated she called the apartment leasing office after she confronted two individuals going through garage #52. Samara stated she returned home from work on December 18, 2023, at approximately 2300 hours and witnessed a white male, 40-60 years old, bald and a white female, 40-60 years old and short in stature, going through the detached garage (#52) with flashlights and stacking multiple storage containers outside. Samara confronted the two individuals who said they were not going through any of items in which they walked away. Samara said she noticed the garage had been open for almost a week.

On December 26, 2023, Rolando sent numerous screenshots to AFFIANT containing photos of the stolen items. These were then placed on a document that was sent to several comic bookstores and collectible toy stores in the Lincoln and Omaha area.

On January 4, 2023, Leo Bretta, the owner of Toys From The Past in Lincoln, called AFFIANT and informed him a male identified as Jesse Brown (DOB 09/09/1976), came into the store earlier that day and sold several items, all of which were listed on the stolen items document. Leo was not at the store at that time, but said he would contact the AFFIANT on January 5, 2023, with further details.

On January 5, 2023, at approximately 1337 hours, AFFIANT called Leo Bretta to inquire about the items he purchased. Leo said he identified the male as Jesse Brown by his Nebraska driver's license and said he was driving a silver Mazda SUV with Nebraska plate WKT391. Leo said he would email the list of items he purchased from Jesse Brown on January 4, 2024, but that email did not come before Jesse went back to the store to sell more items. Leo called AFFIANT at approximately 1600 hours and informed him Jesse Brown left several items at the store to be appraised. Leo said these items were also on the list of stolen items. Leo said he would call Jesse, at 402-802-5691 which is the number Jesse provided to Leo, after appraising them to let him know if he would purchase the items. AFFIANT requested funds from the Lincoln Police Department to cover the cost of the purchase Leo was planning to make and Investigator O'Connor #1889 delivered \$200 in US Currency to Leo at approximately 1725 hours. The serial numbers for the bills given to Leo were documented before they were used. At approximately 1730 hours, Jesse Brown and an unknown white male passenger arrived in the silver Mazda bearing Nebraska plate WKT391 and parked in front of the store. Leo

agreed to purchased \$200 worth of items from Jesse Brown and asked that he leave some of the Japanese items to be appraised further. Leo said he would need the weekend and would contact Jesse Brown on January 8, 2023, with further details. Leo also asked Jesse Brown if he had more items he was trying to sell, and Jesse admitted he did. He then described several more items that were on the stolen items list. Leo provided the money, given to him by Investigator O'Connor #1889, to Jesse to pay for the items purchased.

Several Lincoln Police Officers in unmarked vehicles then conducted physical surveillance of Jesse Brown in the silver Mazda after he left the store. The vehicle eventually parked on the west side of 5250 Cornhusker Highway Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska and Jesse Brown and the unknown white male passenger exited the vehicle and entered room #254. The vehicle left several times over the next few hours, but always returned to 5250 Cornhusker Highway Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, and the occupants would enter room #254. During one of the trips, the vehicle and Jesse Brown drove to the Walmart located at 3400 N. 85th Street Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, where it parked in a mobile pickup spot. At one point, Jesse Brown exited the vehicle and opened the rear hatch. Investigator Drager #1715 observed a black plastic tote in the trunk of the Mazda while Jesse had the rear hatch open. The style of the tote was very similar to one of the ten totes stolen from the victims. The vehicle eventually drove back to 5250 Cornhusker Highway Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, and parked. The occupants exited and went into room #254.

On January 10, 2024, a call was placed to 402-802-5691 by an employee at Toys From The Past advising a deal could be made for the items left at the store for appraisal on January 5, 2024. The Mazda CX-7 arrived at the store located at 2840 S. 70th Street Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, with Jesse Brown driving and Guy Bradford in the passenger seat. After Brown entered the store, he was arrested, and Bradford was arrested out of the vehicle. Bradford had a phone in his possession that was found to be the phone used by the store to make contact about the items to be purchased. During Mirandized interviews, Brown said he was gifted the items he was selling but would not say where he got them, and Bradford said he was just riding along. Bradford also admitted his phone was the one being called because Brown did not have a phone. Bradford's phone was seized as evidence and tagged into LPD property under report #Q2400645.


On January 10, 2024, a Jowlene Mason was also arrested for outstanding felony warrants out of Iowa. She was interviewed in reference to this case as well, due to an association she had with Guy Bradford. She stated Guy Bradford and Thomas Larsen were the people responsible for the theft and Larsen was the "ringleader". Jowlene went on to say Jesse Brown was only involved because Guy needed a ride to sell the stolen items.

On January 16, 2024, at approximately 2158 hours, Guy Bradford made a call from the Lancaster County Jail to Melissa Bradford. During that call, Guy told Melissa the most important thing for her to do was to contact the store where he purchased his phone and report it as stolen. Guy also told Melissa to see if they could erase everything from the phone. Due to this conversation, it can be presumed there is evidence relating to this case on that phone that Guy does not want to have law enforcement find. The phone could also contain evidence of the crime occurring and the location of items stolen in this case that have yet to be found.

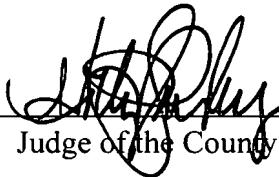
The above does constitute grounds of probable cause for the issuance of a search warrant to search and seize the evidence specifically identified in Attachment A, to include any specific authorization requested authorization to be ordered by the court.

Further AFFIANT saith not;

Dated this 16th day of January 2024.


Jon Rennerfeldt, Lincoln Police Dept.

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