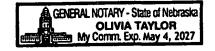
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# IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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The undersigned states that he received the the 27th day of February, 2024, and that he execute March, 2024, by seizing the property described in the delivering a copy of the Search Warrant for the said property is taken.	ed the same on the 15th day of ne Inventory filed herein and by
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#### **INVENTORY**

# IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA DAMCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA OF THE SEARCH WARRANT OF THE DESCRIBED PREMISES OF META PLATFORMS, INC. 1 META WAY MENLO PARK, CA 94025

STATE OF NEBRASKA	)	INVENTORY OF PROPERTY
	SS.	SEIZED BY VIRTUE OF THE
COUNTY OF LANCASTER	)	SEARCH WARRANT ISSUED HEREIN

Derek Dittman, 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 Meta Platforms, Inc., 1 Meta Way, Menlo Park, CA 94025:

Zipped folder containing data for the Instagram account "LINCOLNNPICZ" PDF File containing data for the Instagram account "LINCOLNNPICZ" PDF File containing "Certificate of Authenticity of Domestic Records of Regularly Conducted Activity"

All items were obtained through Meta Platform's law enforcement portal

Inventory made in the presence of John Donahue #715.

Derek Dittman #1551

SUBSCRIBED to in my presence and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20 3 4.

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
OLIVIA TAYLOR
My Comm. Exp. May 4, 2027

Notary Public

## RECEIPT

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DATED this \_\_\_ 15 day of March, 2024

Law Enforcement Officer

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TO: Derek Dittman, a Sergeant with the Lincoln Police Department, Lancaster County, Nebraska, and any and all law enforcement officers.

WHEREAS, Derek Dittman 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.

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. 86-2,108, the Court finds that the records which are the subject of this search warrant are material and relevant to a legitimate law enforcement ongoing investigation. Meta Inc. is ordered NOT to notify any other person of the existence of this search warrant, including the user of the account, or release any information related to this search warrant, as there is reason to believe that notification or other disclosure would impede this ongoing investigation or otherwise cause an adverse result, as defined by law. This notice or disclosure restriction shall be for a period not to exceed 90 days.

THEREFORE, you are commanded to search the places(s) listed in Attachment A to seize the listed property.

Service Provider shall send the information electronically via email at lpd1551@cjis.lincoln.ne.gov or to Sergeant Dittman at the Lincoln Police Department, 575 S 10th Street, Lincoln, NE, 68508.

This search warrant shall be executed and returned within ten (10) days to a Clerk of the Lancaster District Court, Nebraska. In the event records are not received from the Service Provider within ten (10) days, your Affiant requests authorization to returned the search warrant within ten (10) days of receipt of the records.

Given under my hand and seal this **2** day of February.

Judge of the County Court

Printed Name of Judge

#### ATTACHMENT A

# Property to Be Searched

This warrant is directed to Meta Platforms, Inc. - 1 Meta Way, Menlo Park, California, 94025.

Service via Meta Platforms, Inc. Law Enforcement Request System (LERS) on-line at <a href="https://www.facebook/com/records">https://www.facebook/com/records</a>.

This warrant applies to the Instagram.com account described as:

Instagram User Name:

LINCOLNNPICZ

with preserved data associated to Meta Platforms, Inc case number/preservation ID 8307135.

#### Particular Things to be Seized

To the extent that the information described in Attachment A is within the possession, custody, or control of Meta Inc. regardless of whether such information is located within or outside of the United States, including any messages, records, files, logs, or information that have been deleted but are still available, or have been preserved.

Meta Inc. is requested to disclose the following records for each identifier listed in Attachment A for the time frame of December 13, 2023 at 2000 hours UTC to December 14, 2023 at 1700 UTC, specifically for the following items:

- 1. Basic Subscriber Information (BSI) including User Identification Number, name, postal code, country, email address, Date and Time stamp of account creation date displayed in GMT, IP address at account sign-up, IP logs of web access, registered telephone numbers, account settings, and all user contacts with customer support including notifications or complaints of the account being hacked or stolen, or any other issue with the use of or access to the account; and
- 2. Expanded Subscriber Content and Complete User Profile, including profile contact information (subscriber photo, subscriber provided identity records, name, birth date, contact e-mail address, physical address, telephone numbers), posts, status update history, comments, messages, shares, notes, follower listings with Followers Instagram ID's, group listings with Instagram Group IDs, and video listings with filename; and
- 3. Subscriber Support Records including all communications between Instagram and any person regarding the user or the user's Instagram account and all records of actions taken on the account, including suspensions of the account; and
- 4. Subscriber Account information for associated accounts including Facebook, PayPal or other payment options; and

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- 5. All linked social media accounts including, by way of example and not limitation Foursquare, Tumblr, Flickr, Twitter, and Facebook accounts and the username and/or user identification number for those accounts;
- 6. Followers list, including all people, organizations or groups the subscriber follows, and all users the subscriber has unfollowed or blocked; and
- 7. Privacy Settings including all changes to privacy settings; and
- 8. All account information including account creation date and the Internet Protocol (IP) address the account was initiated from;
- 9. All log file information including additional Internet Protocol addresses used to access the service, internet browser type and version, referring domains, and the pages viewed by the user;
- 10. All contacts associated with the username whether derived from a mobile device phonebook or address book, associated Instagram account, or manually searched for and added.
- 11. All device information associated with the Instagram account including, by way of example and not limitation, International Mobile Equipment Identifiers (IMEIs), Mobile Equipment Identifiers (MEIDs), International Mobile Subscriber Identities (IMSIs), and Unique Device Identifiers (UDIDs);
- 12. All images, photos, and videos including all photos uploaded by that user ID and all photos uploaded by any user that have that user tagged in them. Said images, photos, and videos shall include all associated geotags whether derived from user keywords or tags or obtained from the Global Positioning System or other location services of a mobile device;
- 13. All activity logs for the account and all other documents showing the user's posts, keywords and tags annotated by the user, keywords and tags the user posted to other Instagram accounts and images, and the keywords and tags of other users posted to the target Instagram account and images;
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16. All records pertaining to communications between Instagram and any person regarding the user or the user's Instagram account, including contacts with support services and records of actions taken.

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# IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

STATE OF NEBRASKA	) ) ss. AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRAN	OF TH
COUNTY OF LANCASTER		꼭 <sup>m</sup>

Derek Dittman, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and states that he is a Sergeant for the Lincoln Police Department, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. Your Affiant states he is currently involved in the investigation of theft by extortion, Statute 28-513, occurring between December 8, 2023 and December 13, 2023, via the internet while the victim was in Lincoln, Lancaster County Nebraska. Your Affiant has reviewed case reports regarding this investigation prepared by other involved Law Enforcement Officers.

# Affiant's Background

Your affiant has been a police officer for the Lincoln Police Department since 2005. Since 2005, Affiant has been investigating misdemeanor and felony crimes with the Lincoln Police Department to include homicide, burglary, robbery, assault, weapon offenses, narcotics, thefts, 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 13, 2023, Jaidah Weaver reported to Lincoln Police Officer Neelly that she had received explicit images of herself naked from different social media accounts on December 8, 2023. These images had been privately sent by the victim to others in the past. There were also messages exchanged between the victim and different social media accounts that led the victim to believe it was the same person using the different accounts. The victim said the messages threatened to release the nude images of her to other people if she didn't send them additional nude photos. The victim was unable to

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reproduce the messages between herself and the other accounts because most of them had been sent via Snapchat and she did not save them. The victim was able to show Ofc. Neelly the explicit images of herself she had been sent. The Instagram account being used to send messages and images was "LINCOLNNPICZ."

On December 14, 2023, Ofc. Neelly sent a preservation request to Meta Platforms, preservation #8307135. He also sent a subpoena to Snapchat and Meta Platforms regarding these accounts. Meta Platforms indicated this account was created on December 13, 2023 and closed on December 14, 2023. Both companies' subpoenas returned results showing the accounts utilized to send the messages and images to the victim were sent utilizing the same IP address. This IP address was found to be registered to Windstream Services. Ofc. Neelly subpoenaed Windstream, and the registered account holder was Kenneth Pigford who resided at 2841 Tierra Drive #210 in Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. Pigford has been developed as a suspect in similar investigations.

#### Attachments

Attachment A: Property to be searched and seized

Attachment B: Technical information for the service provider

Your Affiant requests authorization to search for and seize the listed items in Attachment A, hereby attached and incorporated by reference.

Attachment B contains technical information pertinent to the service provider and is intended to provide an overview of the service. This information is based on the training and experience of Your Affiant and/or other members of the Lincoln Police Department.

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# Further AFFIANT saith not;

Dated this 27 day of February, 2024.

Derek Dittman AFFIANT

SUBSCRIBED to in my presence and sworn to before me this 21 day of February,

2024.

Judge of the County Court

Printed Name of Judge



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#### ATTACHMENT B

#### Instagram Specific Facts

Meta Platforms, Inc. owns and operates Instagram. Instagram is a free digital photo and video sharing application on which subscribers can upload their photos or videos and comments to share with their "followers" and/or with a select group of friends. Subscribers can comment on posts shared by their followers and others on Instagram whom the subscriber follows.

Once a user establishes an Instagram account, the user can use Instagram to communicate with other users of Instagram, and also with users of several other social networking platforms, such as Facebook and Twitter.

When establishing an account, the subscriber is asked to provide a name, user name, email address, phone number, birth date, biographical sketch, photograph, and geographic location information. Instagram does not verify information provided by an individual establishing an account. However, Instagram users typically create personal profiles using photos of themselves and names or nicknames their friends and family know. This permits friends and family to find the user's Instagram account. Instagram also assigns each account a User Identification Number.

Instagram also asks subscribers to create a password for their account. Dates associated with Instagram entries, as well as the date shown for the last time the account was accessed by the subscriber, are generated by the Instagram software program and cannot be manipulated by the account subscriber.

Instagram subscribers can set their accounts up as "public" or "private." Accounts default to public, meaning that anyone with an Instagram account can follow the subscriber. If a subscriber sets the account as "private," the subscriber approves specific other subscribers to "follow" him/her, enabling those persons to see and comment on the subscriber's posts. Subscribers who follow one another can also view each other's profiles and can exchange private communications with each other. Each Instagram user's account includes a list of that user's "Followers" and of other users the subscriber is "Following" which highlights information about these users, such as usernames and profile changes. Instagram users may join one or more groups or networks to "follow."

A subscriber can also use Instagram's photo mapping feature which geotags posted photographs (videos cannot be geotagged) to a map. When a digital photo is taken, the digital file will often include information about when and where it was taken, as well as

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other information on its genesis. That information is called Exchangeable Image File Format or EXIF information.

Instagram users can upload and download images and videos and/or associate other social media platforms with their Instagram account. These other accounts include Foursquare, Tumblr, Flickr, Twitter, and Instagram's parent company Meta Platforms, Inc.

Social networking providers like Instagram typically retain records of subscriber provided account information and records of the subscriber's use of the web service, including information regarding the types of service the subscriber utilizes, and the date the account was established. These service providers also typically retain records of direct customer service type contacts such as complaints by or about subscribers. Instagram also retains software generated use and access information for each subscriber, including date and time stamped access data, Internet Protocol ("IP") logs for a given user ID or IP address, digital items that users post on or through Instagram accounts, email messages, and other communications sent or received through an Instagram account, until either Instagram or the poster deletes them. Instagram deletes posts that violate its posting policy.

Instagram also uses "cookies" to store and receive identifiers and other information on computers, phones, and other devices. Other technologies, including data stored from the user's web browser or device, identifiers associated with the user's device, and other software, are used for similar purposes. "Cookies" are defined in this context as small pieces of text used to store information on web browsers. According to Meta Inc. platform, Inc's privacy policy, "cookies" helps Meta Inc. platform, provide, protect and improve the Meta Inc. platform, products, such as by personalizing content, tailoring and measuring ads, and providing a safer experience. While the cookies that they use may change from time to time as they improve and update the Meta Inc. platform. Products, they use them for the following purposes: Authentication; Security, Site and Product Integrity; Advertising, Recommendations, Insights and Measurement; Site Features and Services; Performance; Analytics and Research. According Meta Platforms, Inc. law enforcement representatives Meta Inc. platform, has the ability to identify accounts associated by the use of a "cookie."

Facebook is not able to do detailed searches of their data for specific items of evidentiary value. Rather they are able to supply data by types and by date ranges. Typically, law enforcement is then required to review that data for evidence relevant to the investigation.

Meta Inc., which operates Instagram.com, has established the contact address for Law Enforcement of <a href="https://www.facebook/com/records">https://www.facebook/com/records</a> and has asked law enforcement to

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serve warrants for Instagram records at the <a href="https://www.facebook/com/records">https://www.facebook/com/records</a> web page. Law enforcement regularly uses this address to contact Meta Platforms, Inc.

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