LPD Case Number: C4-020681

# IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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SEARCH WARRANT RETURN

STATE OF NEBRASKA )

SS.

COUNTY OF LANCASTER

The undersigned states that he received the Search Warrant issued herein on the 22nd day of April, 2024, and that he executed the same on the 29th day of April, 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.

INV. COREY WEINMASTER #883

Notary Public

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





## **INVENTORY**

# IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEARCH WARRANT OF THE DESCRIBED PREMISES OF LINCOLN POLICE DEPARTMENT 575 SOUTH 10TH STREET LINCOLN, LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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

Inv. Corey Weinmaster #883, 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 following is a list of the items seized and removed as evidence during the execution of a search warrant at the premise of the Lincoln Police Department, 575 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska:

iPhone 14 under LPD Property Q2405104

- -Activity Sensor Data 48
- -Applications Usage Log 132
- -Call Log 49
- -Chats 45
- -Contacts 7549
- -Cookies 19
- -Device Events 6
- -Emails 53
- -Instant Messages 1
- -Locations 11
- -Passwords 36
- -Searched Items 33
- -Transfers 1
- -Voicemails 3
- -Web History 56
- -Wireless Networks 11
- -Timeline 6792
- -Audio 3

Clerk of the District Court

-Images - 1491 -Videos - 125

Inventory made in the presence of Inv. Derek Dittman #1551.

SUBSCRIBED to in my presence and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20 <u>Au</u>.



### **RECEIPT OF SEIZED ITEMS**

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# IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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TO: Patrick Sullivan #1804, a law enforcement officer with the Lincoln Police Department, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, any and all law enforcement officers, and agents thereof.

WHEREAS, Patrick Sullivan 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**.

## ATTACHMENT A: Digital Device(s) to Be Searched

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

• iPhone in a black case, to include any digital device within, located in the Lincoln Police Property & Evidence Unit at 575 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, labeled with Property Q2405104 and C4-020681.

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 March/8th/2024 at 12:01 a.m. CST to March/9th/2024 at 23:59 p.m. CST, 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. Databases and file systems.
- 4. Device activity logs and application usage logs
- 5. Call logs.
- 6. Contact lists.
- 7. Short Message Service (SMS), Multimedia Messaging Service (MMS) messages and instant messages.
- 8. Chat messages from installed applications.
- 9. Email messages.
- 10. Installed applications and their corresponding accounts and data.
- 11. Images and associated metadata.
- 12. Videos, and associated metadata.
- 13. Audio files, including voicemails, and associated metadata.
- 14. Document files and associated metadata.
- 15. Internet browsing history, including bookmarks, searches, browser cookies and other associated cache files.
- 16. Memos and notes (typed and voice).
- 17. User dictionary.
- 18. Calendar information.
- 19. Passwords, keychains.

To obtain and search the data from the aforementioned digital device, law enforcement and/or those assisting may:

1. Obtain data from the physical memory of the digital device itself as well as from any data storage devices housed within the digital device, specifically Secure Digital (SD) and Subscriber Identification Module (SIM) cards;

- 2. Obtain data from the aforementioned digital device's active file system, as well as unallocated space as to recover deleted data and file fragments;
- 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;
- 5. Enlist the aid of non-law enforcement, who are trained in conducting forensic analysis of the data in retrieving and analyzing the data. When files have been deleted, they can be potentially recovered later using forensic tools. A person with familiarity with how digital devices work may, after examining the data, be able to draw conclusions about how the device was used, the purpose of its use, who used it, where, and when; and/or
- 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.

## ATTACHMENT B: Technical Information Regarding the Search of Digital Devices

Through your Affiant's training and past experience, and from information provided by Electronic Evidence Unit forensic examiners, your Affiant is aware that:

Digital device data can provide valuable insight for criminal investigations. Digital devices are used by the general public for communication, access to and sharing of information, research, socialization, entertainment, mapping, shopping, note taking and other functionality. Individuals also use digital devices for the aforementioned purposes, and as a tool for facilitating criminal activity.

Digital devices are often used to communicate via voice, text messaging, social media or other communication applications; and share data with other users and that such digital data can be transferred between various digital devices. Information associated with such data may show evidence of current, on-going, future, and past criminal activity as well as assist law enforcement in determining identity and culpability of participants, including identifying those with knowledge of a criminal offense or identify those who have aided a criminal participant in the commission of a criminal offense, victims and/or witnesses. As such, digital devices possessed by criminal participants can serve both as an instrument for committing crime as well as a storage medium for evidence of the crime, including communications to plan, execute, and otherwise document the commission of a crime.

There have been numerous instances where criminal participants utilized digital devices to photograph themselves, associates and/or co-conspirators, and victims; instances in which digital devices were used by criminal participants to create videos of their criminal activity; instances where criminals participants have used digital devices' internet applications to research crimes they have or intend to participate in; instances in which criminal participants have maintained notes within digital devices; and instances in which criminal participants used global positioning, mapping and other location services to facilitate in-person meetings with co-conspirators and/or a victim.

On a digital device, data can be created in a matter of moments because most operations can be performed almost instantly, which would be relevant to the incident being investigated. The data can be created intentionally or accidentally by the user, or automatically by the device itself as a part of its regular functioning.

Electronic evidence can remain on the digital devices for indefinite periods of time after the data was created, even if deleted by the user. Data generally is stored on the physical memory of the digital device, but also can be stored on removable storage devices such as Secure Digital (SD) and Subscriber Identification Module (SIM) cards. A forensic examiner may be able to recover information deleted by the user throughout the working life span of the device.

The following are examples of how types of data on digital devices can assist investigators. A full, all-inclusive list would be impossible due to the ever-increasing development of digital devices and their applications:

- 1. Phone information, configurations, calendar events, notes and user account information which can be used to identify or confirm who owns or was using a digital device.

  Because of their small size, digital devices can easily be passed from one person. As such it is necessary to document evidence that reveals or suggests who possessed or used the device. This evidence is akin to the search for venue items when executing a search warrant at a residence.
- 2. Call logs can establish familiarity between people involved in an incident. These records are consistently stamped with dates and times which can be significant regarding the reconstruction of the timeline of events regarding an investigation. Associated contact lists stored in the device can provide names to correspond with voice calls as well as other forms of communication. Voicemails can indicate the purpose of the phone call when the phone call was not answered. This information can also be invaluable to establish conspirators, witnesses, and suspect information.
- 3. Data from associated supplemental software applications (apps), both standard and manually installed, stored on the digital devices can demonstrate the user's association with investigated people, locations, and events. Digital devices can run apps which allow them to increase their functionality. Common programs include social media applications, such as Facebook, as well as messaging applications Snapchat and Facebook Messenger to name a few. These applications are increasingly used as alternative methods for users to communicate from the standard messaging service as they offer additional functionality. Many of these applications can determine the user's geographic location which can be instrumental to completing an investigation.
- 4. Media files such as images, videos, audio, and documents provide first-hand documentation of actions regarding an event. Additionally, files can contain embedded metadata that show additional information which is valuable to investigators such as when and where the file was created. Digital devices can create, store and exchange media with other devices and computers.

Your Affiant seeks to complete a comprehensive and unbiased examination of the data on the device for information which could aid in the investigation; seeking only prescribed information would jeopardize the completeness of the search as it is typically unknown how the electronic device was used or the technical ability and intent of the user before the device has been examined. As with other types of evidence, the context, location, and data surrounding information in the device data is often necessary to understand whether evidence falls within the scope of the search warrant. This type of information will be important to the forensic examiner's ability to piece together and recognize evidence of the above-listed crimes.

Your Affiant knows that digital devices are constantly changing system data on the device as programmed by their manufacturer. Additionally, your Affiant knows that searching the digital device itself would irreversibly alter data and/or evidence on the device. To search a device for evidence, the commonly accepted best practice of digital forensics is to utilize forensic software to obtain an extraction of the data on the device. Attempts will be made to obtain the devices data by only making unobtrusive revocable changes to the system settings to permit the extraction of the data. If necessary, the digital device may require disassembly to obtain the desired data which may render the device inoperable. These processes do not change or alter any of the user data stored on the device. The extraction is then searched using analysis software to locate, identify, and seize the evidence authorized by this warrant. The device and the image are then preserved in evidence.

The digital device has been stored in a manner in which its/their contents are, to the extent material to this investigation, substantially the same state as when it first came into the possession of law enforcement.

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Patrick Sullivan, 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 THEFT BY DECEPTION \$500-1500 28-512 (M1) and OBSTRUCT GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS 28-901(M1) occurring on March 9th, 2024, at 350 Canopy Street #100 (Longwells), Lincoln, Lancaster County Nebraska. AFFIANT has reviewed case reports regarding this investigation prepared by other involved Law Enforcement Officers.

## <u>Attachments</u>

Attachment A: IPHONE IN BLACK CASE

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 2017. Your Affiant has training and experience in conducting criminal investigations.

This Affidavit is submitted in support of a search warrant. Your Affiant may not have set forth every fact known to your Affiant regarding this investigation. The information contained in this Affidavit is from your Affiant's criminal investigation and may include information provided by other law enforcement, or others.

### Case Facts

On 03-09-2024 at approximately 1113 hours, Officer Nelson #1426 with the Lincoln Police Department was dispatched to 201 N 8<sup>th</sup>, in Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska on a report of a robbery. Officer Nelson contacted Dayton Swanson (DOB: 05-05-2004). Dayton reports he was at Longwell's 350 Canopy Street #100 Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska in the area referred to as the Railyard between 12:00 AM and 1:00 AM on 03-09-2024. Dayton states a black male wearing a all grey Nike Tech Hoodie with shoulder length dreads approached him and said "you owe me money." Dayton said he told the

male he didn't owe him money. The male had him walk over to the Union Bank ATM in in the outdoor area nearby and make five withdrawals for cash. Dayton said he put in his PIN number and the male made one withdrawal for \$103 and the remaining four for \$203 apiece. Dayton said all five ATM transactions happened at once. Dayton said he complied because he didn't want to cause any problems and he said he can replace money. Dayton said he wasn't threatened, but the male said he would get his friends.

Video was collected from WRK Real Estate 440 N 8th Street #140, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. from a camera inside the outdoor area that faces in a southwest direction. This camera is motion activated. The video was reviewed and shows the male suspect at 12:01 AM exciting a black SUV and walk toward Longwells. At 1:01 AM the male suspect walks out of Longwells' southern facing doors into the outdoor area. Dayton is then seen following behind the male suspect. The male suspect turns and talks to Dayton during the walk. The camera then skips and both Dayton and the male suspect are seen at the ATM. Between 1:01 AM and 1:10 AM Dayton and the male suspect are at the ATM. The suspect walks around the ATM area and will often go up to the ATM. The suspect can be seen placing his arm around Dayton's shoulder while they are both at the ATM. Dayton and the suspect are then seen walking back towards Longwells with the male suspect leading and Dayton lagging behind on his phone. At 1:16 AM Dayton walks out of the bar and walks toward the ATM. The video then skips to 1:17 AM. Dayton and the male suspect are seen at the ATM. The video then jumps to 1:24 AM. Dayton and the male suspect are seen by a basketball hoop in the middle of the outdoor area. The male suspect then throws the basketball at the basket. Dayton and the male suspect then talk in the middle of the outdoor area. At 1:25 AM Dayton and the male suspect both walk toward an elevated surface and are both seen to bend down and come back up. At 1:26 AM the male suspect appears to be keeping watch while Dayton spends sometime bent down. At 1:27 AM Dayton moves around and appears to bend down again. The video then skips to 1:31 AM. Dayton and the male suspect are by the ATM again and then start to walk toward Longwells. At 1:32 AM the male suspect appears to take a picture of himself and of Dayton. The male suspect then hands this phone back to Dayton.

Dayton was contacted on 03-15-2024. Your affiant asked Dayton to see his phone. Dayton handed over an iPhone in a black case. Your affiant asked if this was the phone he had during the time of the robbery and Dayton stated it was. Dayton did not know what model his phone was. Dayton was asked why the male suspect had his phone. Dayton said the male was checking Dayton's bank account, but then said he didn't remember why the male suspect had his phone. The iPhone was taken from Dayton then labeled with Property Q2405104 under C4-020681 and placed into the Lincoln Police Property & Evidence Unit at 575 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

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Your Affiant contacted Jessica Toomey (DOB: 04-22-1977) who is the branch manger for First National Bank. First National Bank is the bank Dayton uses. Jessica showed me transaction statements from March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 which shows Union Bank and Trust refunded Dayton \$715 from the incident he reported.

Your Affiant believes based on the information above Dayton reported a false crime and obstructed government operations by not telling the truth. Your Affiant believes based on the information above that evidence of this crime may be located on Dayton's cellphone. Additionally, it is believed that Dayton and the unknown party do know one another and maintain a relationship to some degree.

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.

Dated this 22 day of April, 2024.

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Lori A. Maret

Printed Name of Judge

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Inv. Patrick Sullivan, Lincoln Police Dept.
UBSCRIBED to in my presence and sworn to before me this 220 day of April, 2024.
Judge of the District Court
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