

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEARCH )  
WARRANT OBTAINED FROM )  
2722 W STREET, LINCOLN, )  
LANCASTER COUNTY, NE )

C724-1

SEARCH WARRANT  
RETURN

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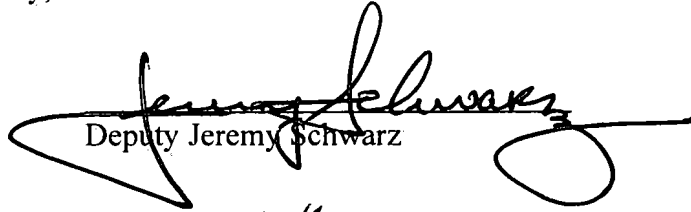
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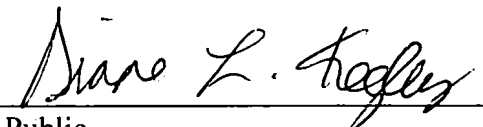
STATE OF NEBRASKA )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF LANCASTER )

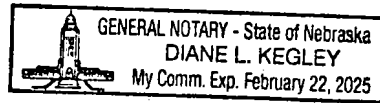
The undersigned states that he/she received the search warrant issued herein on the 2nd day of February, 2024, and the warrant was not executed.

DATE this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

  
Deputy Jeremy Schwarz

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

  
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Notary Public



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RECEIPT

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the following described property seized from 2722 W. Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska:

*Not Served.  
Warrant Amended.*

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DATED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

*Jeremy Schwarz*  
Law Enforcement Officer  
*[Signature]*

WITNESS

IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

STATE OF NEBRASKA )  
County of Lancaster ) ss. SEARCH WARRANT

TO: Jeremy Schwarz, a Deputy Sheriff with the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office, Lancaster County, Nebraska, and any and all law enforcement officers.

WHEREAS, Jeremy Schwarz, has filed an Affidavit before the undersigned Judge of the County Court of Lincoln, 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 2722 W. Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, including any detached structures and vehicles located on the property for the following items:

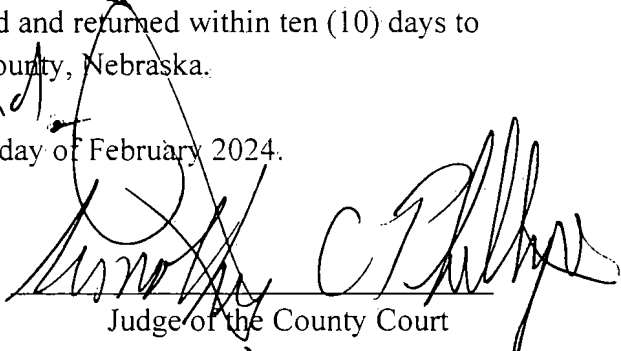
- Any and all financial documents
- Receipts, withdrawal, or deposit slips from any bank or financial institution
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- Any checks or personal property belonging to Richard Wiedenbeck.
- Any check stock or check writing software
- Proof of occupancy

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Your AFFIANT is authorized to measure, photograph, video tape, and seize the aforementioned items.

This search warrant shall be executed and returned within ten (10) days to a Judge of the County Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska.

Given under my hand and seal this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2024.

  
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Judge of the County Court

Timothy C Phillips  
Printed Name of Judge



**IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

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

Jeremy Schwarz, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and states that he is a Investigator for the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office, Lancaster County, Nebraska. AFFIANT further states he is currently involved in the investigation of theft by deception N.R.S. 28-512, occurring at Outdoor Solution located at 10901 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Roca, Lancaster County, Nebraska. As part of the investigation, AFFIANT has consulted with other involved law enforcement and reviewed case reports. AFFIANT states as follows:

Facts:

On Wednesday, January 31, 2024, your AFFAINT spoke with Brent VanWinkle, part-owner of Outdoor Solution located at 10901 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Roca, Lancaster County, Nebraska regarding three (3) fraudulent checks written to his business for landscape materials.

According to Brent VanWinkle, Jeremy Sanford, owner of Sanford Landscaping made three separate transactions during the month of December 2023 for four (4) tons of 1" limestone rock, flagstone pavers, two Encore, model number BL-01-B, landscapes lights and wiring. Brent VanWinkle stated all three transactions totaled \$1,083.76, and were delivered separately to 2722 W. Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

Brent VanWinkle told your AFFIANT, employee Randy Hess delivered all of the material during two separate deliveries and received a check from an unknown person at 2722 W. Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

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During the interview of Brent VanWinkle, your AFFIANT photographed the flagstone pavers and the Encore, model number BL-01-B landscapes, light that were purchased and on display in the showroom.

According to bank documents provided to your AFFIANT by Brent VanWinkle, all three fraudulent checks belong to Richard A. Wiedenbeck of 771 Penfield Dr, Carol Stream, IL. Check numbers 2317, 2320 and 2321 are drawn from JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. account 1110017095645, and were dated December 13<sup>th</sup> and December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, respectively, in the amounts of 193.05 (twice) and \$697.66. A Nebraska operator licenses number H71227021 and H71255102 appear on check numbers 2317 and 2320 respectively. Your AFFIANT researched the Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicle database and knows H71227021 and H71255102 are fictitious and do not exist.

Your AFFIANT knows the three fraudulent checks were deposited into the Outdoor Solutions business account located at Pinnacle Bank. On December 26, 2023, Pinnacle Bank located at 18081 Burt Street, Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska authored a 'Notice of Deposited Items Charged Back to Your Account' statement regarding check numbers 2317, 2320 and 2321. According to the statement, Pinnacle Bank informed Outdoor Solutions the bank could not locate the account, or the account was closed.

Your AFFIANT contacted Jeremy Sanford outside of his residence located at 2722 W. Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. During the approximate 12-minute conversation, your AFFIANT observed the 1" limestone rock in the driveway, the flagstone pavers between the driveway and the house, and the two Encore, model number BL-01-B landscapes, lights installed along the side of the sidewalk pathway leading up to his house.

Jeremy Sanford told your AFFIANT Outdoor Solution delivered drain tile to his house on two separate occasions in December. Jeremy Sanford stated the drain tile was for a client who he could not name without looking at his phone. Jeremy Sanford attempted to locate the name and a possible phone number in his black smartphone, however; the phone, according to Jeremy Sanford, was dead. Jeremy Sanford told your AFFIANT he was the only person home when Outdoor Solutions delivered the drain tile, and he paid each time with a check that was

given to him by the client through a friend and part-time employee known only as Mauricio. Jeremy Sanford told your AFFIANT he has no business account and only cashes the checks he receives for his business. Your AFFIANT knows through follow-up conversations with Brent VanWinkle, Outdoor Solutions does not sell drain tile.

Your AFFIANT contacted Randy Hess, an employee of Outdoor Solutions, who delivered the materials to 2722 W. Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. Randy Hess told your AFFIANT his first delivery involved the four (4) tons of 1" limestone rock. Randy Hess stated he dumped the rock in the street. Randy Hess told your AFFIANT he spoke with and received the check from a person who he believed to be Jeremy Sanford.

Randy Hess told your AFFIANT when he returned to 2722 W. Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska with the flagstone pavers, two Encore, model number BL-01-B landscapes lights and wiring, he saw the 1" limestone rock had been moved and placed in the driveway. Randy Hess stated he spoke with a person purporting to be the brother of Jeremy Sanford at the door of the residence. The person told Randy Hess his brother was in the restroom, and he would go and get the check. The unknown person purporting to be Jeremy Sanford's brother returned moments later with a check.

Randy Hess described the person purporting to be Jeremy Sanford as a medium to skinny build balding white male in his 40s. Jeremy Sanford is 6'00", 220lbs, with brown balding hair.

Your AFFIANT spoke to Richard Wiedenbeck about the fraudulent check cases. Richard Wiedenbeck told your AFFIANT did have accounts with Space Coast Credit Union and JPMorgan Chase Bank and he believes the checks were disposed of in a trashcan when he moved out of his house located at 3111 S. 120<sup>th</sup> Walton, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

Your AFFIANT knows Jeremy Sanford is known to the Lincoln Police Department and was interviewed on November 29, 2023, for fraudulent checks containing the name Richard Wiedenbeck. The LPD case number is C3-084185. According to investigative reports, five (5) checks belonging to Richard A. Wiedenbeck's Space Coast Credit Union Account 9990000196881 were issued between July 1<sup>st</sup> and July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to two people Hattie Henderson and Skyla Leighton and one business O'Reilly. The check numbers 1026, 1027, 1051, 1077, and 1079. Total of all five checks is \$1,467.44.

Your AFFIANT knows according to investigative reports, Ofc. P. Luce #1648, an employee of the Lincoln Police Department, interviewed Skyla Leighton on November 27, 2023. According to Skyla Leighton, her friend Jeremy, owns a landscaping business and he requested his client make a check out to her. Skyla Leighton stated Jeremy Sanford told him he does not have an ID and is unable to cash the check. Skyla Leighton stated she received the check from her friend Mauricio is worked for Jeremy Sanford. Skyla Leighton stated Jeremy Sanford gave the check to Mauricio to give to her. Skyla Leighton stated when she received the check, the check was already written out to her.

On November 29, 2023, Ofc. Luce interviewed Jeremy Sanford. Jeremy Sanford told Ofc. Luce he knows Skyla Leighton and considers her an acquaintance. Jeremy Sanford stated he never did any work for Richard Wiedenbeck, he never stole any checks, and he never gave Skyla Leighton any checks to cash for him.

Your AFFIANT knows 2722 W. Street is owned by James W. and Donna R. Sowell who reside at 950 S. Cotner Blvd, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. 2722 W. Street is described as a white single-family Bungalow type residence built in 1900. The legal description is Subdivision of LOTS 1-7, Block 3, Orchard Subdivision, Lot 13, Remaining S135.





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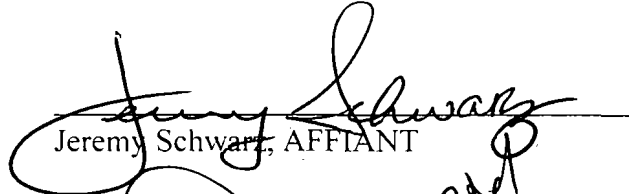
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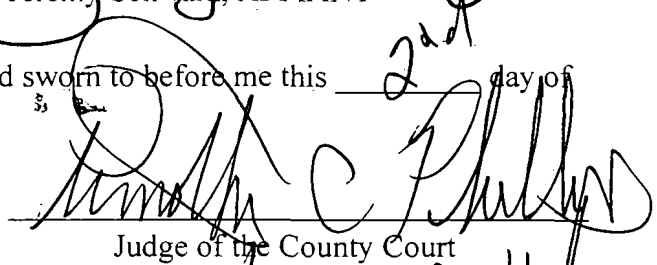
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aforementioned items.

Further AFFIANT saith not;

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2024.

  
Jeremy Schwarz, AFFIANT

SUBSCRIBED to in my presence and sworn to before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of  
February 2024.

  
Judge of the County Court

Timothy C Phillips  
Printed Name of Judge

