

LPD Case Number: C4-029722

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

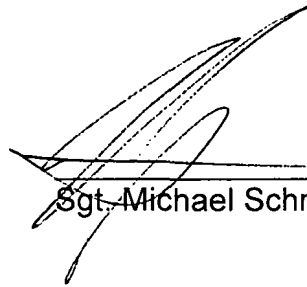
(1724-1)

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEARCH WARRANT  
OF THE DESCRIBED PREMISES OF  
3700 CORNHUSKER HIGHWAY LOT 49C  
LINCOLN, LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

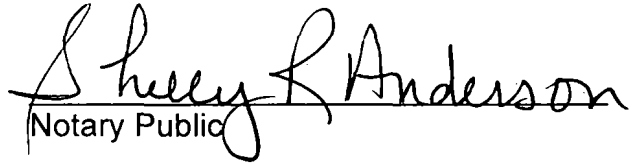
SEARCH WARRANT RETURN

STATE OF NEBRASKA     )  
  )  
  )     ss.  
COUNTY OF LANCASTER )

The undersigned states that he received the Search Warrant issued herein on the 8th day of April 2024, and that he executed the same on the 8th 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.

  
#1572  
Sgt. Michael Schmidt #1572

SUBSCRIBED to in my presence and sworn to before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
April, 2024

  
Notary Public

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INVENTORY

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STATE OF NEBRASKA )  
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COUNTY OF LANCASTER )

ss.

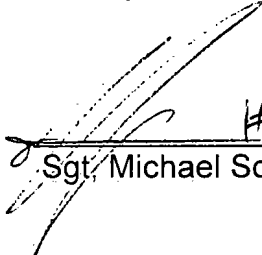
INVENTORY OF PROPERTY  
SEIZED BY VIRTUE OF THE  
SEARCH WARRANT ISSUED HEREIN

Sgt. Schmidt 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.

Baggies  
Rolling tray  
One piece of mail

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Inventory made in the presence of Inv. Nickolas Berry #1794

  
#1572  
Sgt. Michael Schmidt #1572

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April, 2024.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC



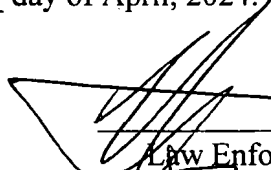
RECEIPT


The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the following described property seized from 3700 Cornhusker Highway Lot 49C, Lancaster County, Nebraska:

BAGGIES  
ROLLING TRAY  
ONE PIECE OF MAIL

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

  
#1572  
Law Enforcement Officer

  
WITNESS

[CASE NUMBER]

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IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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

TO: Inv. Adam Strode, an Investigator with the Nebraska State Patrol, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, and any and all law enforcement officers.

WHEREAS, Inv. Adam Strode, 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 3700 Cornhusker Highway Lot #49C, marked with 49C on the northeast corner, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Lancaster County, Nebraska, for the following items:

Any and all controlled substance, including but not limited to marijuana, drug paraphernalia items commonly used to ingestion of controlled substance; drug paraphernalia items commonly used for the preparation and distribution of controlled substances including but not limited to scales, plastic bags, film canisters, tin foil, or other packaging containers such as vials and plastic wrap; any documentary evidence relating to the source of the controlled substance including but not limited to customer lists, receipts, maps, cellular phones and any other electronic storage devices that could be used in the communication and/storage of information of the sale of controlled substances; any proceeds directly attributable to the sale of controlled substances including, but not limited to United States currency, bank accounts, property, or other financial records, permission to photograph the same; any surveillance equipment, including but not limited to cameras, monitors, cables, and recording devices.

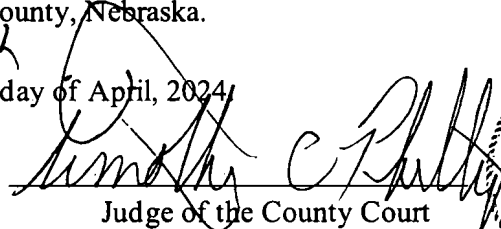
Law enforcement is authorized to use any and all measures necessary to access the contents of any safes or any lockable storage containers.

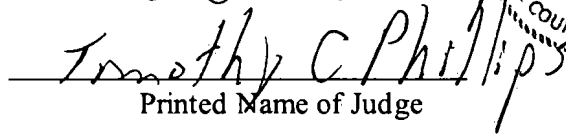
Law enforcement is authorized to serve the search warrant at any time of the day or night.

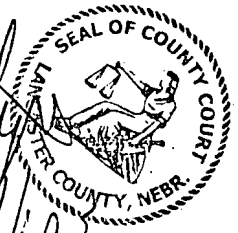
Law enforcement is authorized to measure, photograph, video tape, and seize the aforementioned items.

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 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024

  
Judge of the County Court

  
Printed Name of Judge



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

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

Inv. Adam Strode, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and states that he is an Investigator for the Nebraska State Patrol, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. AFFIANT further states he is currently involved in the investigation of the distribution of a controlled substance, specifically marijuana, which is a violation of Nebraska State Statute 28-416, occurring at 3700 Cornhusker Highway, Lot #49C, 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 April 8, 2024 at approximately 1343 hours, Trp. Buhlke observed a white 2013 Honda Civic bearing California license plates 7DNG776 travelling eastbound on Interstate 80 at a high rate of speed. Trp. Buhlke clocked the vehicle utilizing mobile RADAR at 91 miles per hour in a 75 mile per hour zone, and conducted a traffic stop with the vehicle at mile marker 259.

Trp. Buhlke made contact with the driver who was identified as Jose Lincoln Escobar Jr, of Van Nuys, California. During contact with Escobar, Trp. Buhlke detected the odor of marijuana emitting from within the vehicle. Escobar admitted that he had a marijuana pipe in the console area of the vehicle.

During a probable cause search of the vehicle, Trp. Buhlke located the marijuana pipe in the console of the vehicle as well as an energy drink infused with THC product. During the search, Escobar stated that there was approximately 10 pounds of marijuana in the trunk. Troopers located a black duffle bag in the trunk that contained 10.77 pounds of raw marijuana. Inside the duffle bag was also one package containing 5.19 pounds of THC wax, one package containing 3.25 pounds of THC vape cartridges, one package containing

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6.08 pounds of THC vape cartridges, and one package with 5.54 pounds of THC vape cartridges.

Escobar was then transported to the Nebraska State Patrol Office in Kearney, Nebraska where he participated in a mirandized interview with Inv. Kuebler. During the interview, Escobar stated that he believed there was approximately 10 to 15 pounds of marijuana in the vehicle that he was supposed to drive to the address at 3820 Cornhusker Highway and await further instruction from his contact in California. Escobar stated that he did not know the recipient of the marijuana and was only communicating with his handler in California. Escobar agreed to cooperate in a controlled delivery operation.

Escobar, his vehicle, and the duffle bag of marijuana and THC products were transported to Lincoln with Nebraska State Patrol Investigators where they met with Inv. Strobe and other investigators with the Lincoln/Lancaster County Narcotics Task Force.

At the meeting location, Escobar was equipped with an electronic monitoring device and drove his vehicle to 3820 Cornhusker Highway, which is Virginia's Traveler's Café. After parking his vehicle at Virginia's, Escobar contacted the intended recipient of the marijuana via cell phone. The recipient told Escobar that he was outside waiting, and that he was standing in front of his trailer that had an American flag in the yard. During this phone call, investigators observed a Hispanic male in front of trailer 49C with an American flag near where the recipient was telling Escobar to come park. Investigators knew the male as Christian Lupercio Sr from previous investigations. When Lupercio spotted Escobar, he waved at him and Escobar parked his vehicle in front of trailer 49C. Lupercio began walking up to Escobar when investigators moved in and took him into custody.

Investigators conducted a safety sweep of Lupercio's trailer and seized it. Lupercio was transported to LPD Headquarters where he participated in a mirandized interview. During the interview, Lupercio admitted that he has been selling marijuana to financially supplement his fencing company during periods of slow business. Lupercio also admitted that he had ordered the marijuana that Escobar had brought to him through his contact in California.

The above does constitute grounds of probable cause for the issuance of a Search Warrant for 3700 Cornhusker Highway, Lot #49C, marked with 49C on the northeast corner, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, for the following items:

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Your Affiant requests permission from the court to use any and all measures necessary to access the contents of any safes or any lockable storage containers.

Your Affiant further requests that this warrant should be served at nighttime hours, as nighttime hours are currently upon us and that the items sought may be moved prior the coming of the daylight hours. The trailer has also been seized by investigators who are currently maintaining custody of the trailer until service of the warrant.

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



Further AFFIANT saith not;

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.

Adam Strode

Inv. Adam Strode, AFFIANT

SUBSCRIBED, to in my presence and sworn to before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of  
April, 2024.

Timothy C Phillip

Judge of the County Court

Timothy C Phillip

Printed Name of Judge

