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09/25/2015 04:41:22 PM 1 **MTN** STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565 **CLERK OF THE COURT** JACQUELINE BLUTH 3 Chief Deputy District Attorney Nevada Bar #010625 4 200 Lewis Avenue Las Vegas, Nevada 89155-2212 (702) 671-2500 Attorney for Plaintiff 6 7 DISTRICT COURT 8 CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA 9 10 THE STATE OF NEVADA, 11 Plaintiff, CASE NO: C-14-295158-1 12 DEPT NO: XXIII -VS-13 MELVYN PERRY SPROWSON, JR., 14 #5996049 15 Defendant. 16 17 **NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION REGARDING** 18 STATE'S PREVIOUSLY FILED MOTION IN LIMINE TO PRECLUDE EVIDENCE OF VICTIM'S PRIOR SEXUAL ABUSE AT TRIAI 19 20 DATE OF HEARING: OCTOBER 5, 2015 21 TIME OF HEARING: 9:30 A.M. 22 COMES NOW, the State of Nevada, by STEVEN B. WOLFSON, District Attorney, 23 through JACQUELINE BLUTH, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and hereby files this Notice of Motion and Motion for Clarification Regarding State's Previously Filed Motion in Limine 24 25 to Preclude Evidence of Victim's Prior Sexual Abuse at Trial. 26 This motion is made and based upon all the papers and pleadings on file herein, the attached points and authorities in support hereof, and oral argument at the time of hearing, if 27 28 deemed necessary by this Honorable Court.

### **NOTICE OF HEARING**

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned will bring the foregoing motion on for setting before the above entitled Court, in Department XXIII thereof, on Monday, the \_5th\_ day of October, 2015, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock, or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

DATED this 25th day of September, 2015.

STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565

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# POINTS AND AUTHORITIES STATEMENT OF FACTS

Defendant, MELVYN SPROWSON, is charged by way of Criminal Information with the crimes of First Degree Kidnapping (Category A Felony – NRS 200.310, 200.320); Child Abuse, Neglect, or Endangerment with Substantial Bodily and/or Mental Harm (Category B Felony – NRS 200.508(1)) and Unlawful Use of a Minor in the Production of Pornography (Category A Felony – NSR 200.700, 200.710(A)(B), 200.750). The crime occurred on or about July 1, 2013 and November 1, 2013. The victim is a minor female, J.T. (DOB: 06-06-97). The crimes occurred on or between August 30, 2013 and October 31, 2013.

To provide clarity to the situation as a whole, the State has included facts from the present case as well as the victim's past case.

### The Preliminary Hearing Testimony of J.T. Pertinent to this Motion

At the preliminary hearing of this matter, J.T. testified that she was 16 years old and her birthday is June 6, 1997. In June or July of 2013, J.T. lived with her mom, grandmother and two sisters. PHT, p. 13. In July of 2013, J.T. began speaking with Defendant over the Internet. J.T. was 16 when she began speaking with Defendant and she met him on Craigslist.

PHT, p. 14. Defendant had an ad on Craigslist that said, "Lonely millionaire" and stated a fake age of 30. J.T. responded to the ad by saying "hi". Defendant responded back by saying "hello" and then J.T. told Defendant that she was 16. PHT, pp. 15-16.

For a few days J.T. and Defendant communicated through Craigslist e-mail, where they exchanged photos. Later, they communicated through Kik, which is a texting application, because it was easier than e-mailing. J.T. testified that in the beginning she and Defendant were just friends and then on August 1 [2013], Defendant asked her out and she said yes. PHT, p. 18. J.T. testified that from August 1st forward, she and Defendant were boyfriend and girlfriend. J.T. further testified that Defendant told her that his real age was 44; and, that after they became boyfriend and girlfriend she sent Defendant more photographs. PHT, pp. 17-19. J.T. testified that she sent Defendant pictures because he asked her to send them and because she wanted to send them. J.T. further testified that when she sent the pictures she knew what to do because Defendant told her what to do. PHT, p. 20.

Defendant told J.T. different poses to do and she did them because she wanted to. The first place J.T. actually saw Defendant was at the Omelet House, where she was working at the time. J.T. testified that they did not speak, they just looked at each other. J.T. actually physically met with Defendant at a roller skating rink. J.T. was with her friend Jessica but Jessica did not know who J.T. was meeting. Jessica thought J.T. was meeting an old teacher of J.T.'s. PHT, pp. 21-22.

J.T. testified that she did not tell her mom that she was meeting the defendant. J.T. testified that she and Defendant communicated through Kik for 27 days before she actually went to his home. J.T. never told her told her mom that she was communicating with Defendant. J.T. told Defendant that she could not tell her mom because she would not be happy at all. PHT, pp. 23-24. J.T. testified that she made sure that Defendant did not call when her mom was home and they did not video chat when she was anywhere near. Defendant would only call when she asked him to. J.T. and Defendant came up with a plan if their relationship was found out which was that she would just keep going back to him. PHT, p. 24

J.T. testified that the first time she went to Defendant's house she asked him to go there.

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J.T. told her mom that she was Jessica's house. J.T. told Jessica that she had to do something else and Defendant picked her up and drove her to his house. J.T. stayed at Defendant's house for two nights. J.T. testified that she asked her mom if she could spend a second night at Jessica's because they were having a lot of fun and her mom said yes. PHT, pp. 25-26. J.T. testified that during the two night period at Defendant's house, they had sexual intercourse once or twice. J.T. testified that they did not use a condom because Defendant told her that he could not have kids. J.T. testified that Defendant gave her a promise ring that looked like a wedding ring the night she slept over, which she wore around her neck. J.T. testified that her mom saw the ring and she first told her mom that she had found it and then told her mom that a boy named Joshua had given it to her. J.T.'s mom did not believe her and found out that J.T. had not been sleeping over a Jessica's. J.T.'s mom got J.T.'s phone records and then took away the ring, J.T.'s phone and J.T.'s computer. PHT, 27-29. J.T. told her mom that she needed to do a project and e-mailed the Defendant asking him to come and pick her up, because if he didn't she wouldn't be able to be with him. Defendant agreed to come and get J.T. and told her to bring her birth certificate and social security card, because she would need them to get a job and other things when she got older. J.T. and Defendant had a plan for her to stick it out, in the house, until she was 17 and a half, and then they were going to get married and she was going to go to school. PHT, pp. 30-31.

J.T. took her birth certificate and social security card and Defendant picked her up at 3:00 or 4:00 in the morning, while her mom was asleep. J.T. snuck out the front door and told the Defendant that he could leave her there if he wanted to. Defendant told J.T. it was ok and took her to his house, in Henderson, Clark County. PHT, pp. 32-33.

J.T. testified that Defendant changed his telephone number because she told him that her mom had his other number. J.T. lived with Defendant for two months, from August 28th until November 1st. J.T. testified that Defendant was a teacher and while he was at work, she would watch TV, play video games or read a book. J.T. testified that before she lived with Defendant, she attended school at A-Tech. J.T. did not go to school while living with Defendant. PHT, pp. 33-34.

J.T. testified that Defendant felt bad about her not going to school but they had made an agreement because she would be found if she did go. J.T. testified that it was her and Defendant's plan, together, that she would go undetected until she was 17 and a half, when she would be old enough to get married and go to school. PHT, p. 35. While J.T. was at Defendant he gave her things to do and books to read to continue her education; and, he gave her board games. J.T. testified that she had rules when she lived with Defendant that included having no guys in the house and for her not to go outside because she could be found. J.T. would sometimes ask Defendant to take her out of the house but he would be tired. J.T. and Defendant sometimes went out of the house at night, but she would dress like a boy with hat and glasses and baggier clothing. PHT, pp. 35-37.

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### Statement of the Case Regarding J.T.'s Prior Victimization Pertinent to this Motion

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#### **LEGAL ARGUMENT**

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State's Motion in Limine to Preclude Evidence of Victim's Prior Sexual Abuse at Trial: State argued the Rape Shield and noted parties cannot bring in other case nor get into any sexual conduct. Counsel argued Rape Shield did not apply in this case and believed State's motion to be premature. Court noted

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3	requests this Court grant its Motion in Limine to Preclude Evidence of Victim's Prior Sexual		
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5	DATED this 4th day of September, 2015.		
6	Respectfully submitted,		
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21	COMES NOW, the State of Nevada, by STEVEN B. WOLFSON, District Attorney,		
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Kathryn testified that she kept J.T.'s Social Security card in her wallet and J.T.'s birth certificate was in a drawer of Kathryn's. PHT, p. 176. When Kathryn woke up and J.T. was not home, she called the phone number that she had seen on the phone records and it was disconnected. Kathryn testified that it had been on the night before when J.T. was home, because Kathryn had called the number several times trying to get someone to answer the phone so that she could have a conversation with them and tell them that they were talking to a 16 year-old, in case they didn't know. PHT, p. 177.

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Kathryn testified that she had never met Defendant and she had never given Defendant permission to take her daughter from her home. Kathryn testified that she had given J.T. permission to stay a couple nights with her best friend, Jessica, a couple weeks before that. Kathryn testified that she did not give J.T. permission to be with Defendant during that weekend. PHT, pp. 178-179.

The day that J.T. went missing, Kathryn contacted the Henderson Police Department, who took a report and told her that someone would get back to her. Kathryn did not receive much help there and hired a private detective. Kathryn also looked at J.T.'s bank account and came across the Defendant's name, which she provided to the police. When Kathryn researched the name of Defendant she came across message that said, "Welcome Clark County School District teachers; years 2013-2014." PHT, pp. 179-180. Kathryn gave the Henderson Police the Defendant's name, the name of the school she believed he worked at, as well as an IP address that J.T. had logged onto from her computer. Kathryn testified that she used Facebook, Twitter and Instagram in order to find J.T. and put out word that she was missing, at which time an organization stepped in to help her find J.T. PHT, pp. 181-182.

Kathryn noticed that some of J.T.'s personal belongings were missing which included her backpack, three pairs of shoes, almost all of her jeans and clothes, as well as her birth certificate and Social Security card. PHT, p. 182. Kathryn testified that Nevada Child Seekers, Close Kids, The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and Human Trafficking were all involved in helping to find J.T. Kathryn continued to ask the Henderson Police to go to Defendant's house, but they did not go. PHT, p. 183. Kathryn testified that one of the counselor's at her youngest daughter's school worked closely with an officer for the Clark County School District Police Department. Kathryn gave him the information that she had and J.T. was found at Defendant's address within 24 hours. PHT, p. 184.

When J.T. was returned home it did not go well. Kathryn first slept in front of the door so that J.T. would not be able to leave; and, then took to sleeping with J.T. in the car so as not to disturb the others in the house. J.T. was threatening to kill herself at this time and told Kathryn she would rather die that live with her. Kathryn took J.T. to Montevista Hospital,

where she stayed for ten days. PHT, p. 185-186.

When J.T. returned home she attempted to jump off a second story balcony because she could not use the phone. After the suicide attempt, J.T. went back to Montevista where she stayed for a period of time before being placed into a long term treatment for approximately six months. Kathryn testified that mentally and behaviorally, J.T. remained unstable and erratic. Kathryn testified that it is much more so than it was before J.T. met Defendant. PHT, p. 187-190.

After J.T. was found and returned home, Kathryn became aware that J.T. had sent Defendant nude photos. Kathryn notified the prosecutor of that information. PHT, p. 211.

### Statement of the Case Regarding J.T.'s Prior Victimization Pertinent to this Motion

On June 29, 2012, Defendant, DAVID SCHLOMANN, was charged by way of Criminal Complaint with the crimes of Luring Children or Mentally III Persons with the Use of Technology with the Intent to Engage in Sexual Conduct (Category B Felony – NRS 201.560); Burglary (Category B Felony – NRS 205.060); First Degree Kidnapping (Category A Felony – NRS 200.310, 200.320); Statutory Sexual Seduction (Category C Felony – NRS 200.364, 200.366); and Sexual Assault with a Minor Under Sixteen (Category A Felony – NRS 200.364, 200.366). The crimes occurred on or between April 6, 2012 and April 15, 2012. The victim is J.T., then age 14. Defendant was 41 years of age, married, with three children, when he committed the crimes against J.T. Defendant was living in Albuquerque, New Mexico, but traveled to Las Vegas to commit the crimes against J.T. SCHLOMANN knew that the victim was fourteen years of age, yet, on two separate occasions he drove the victim to his hotel room, without the victim's mother's knowledge, and engaged in sexual misconduct with her.

On September 25, 2013, Defendant pled guilty to Count 1 – Luring Children or Mentally III Persons with Use of Technology with the Intent to Engage in Sexual Assault (Category B Felony) and Count 2 – Attempt Sexual Assault (Category B Felony). The State retained the right to argue at the rendition of sentence.

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On March 13, 2014, Defendant was sentenced, in addition to \$25.00 Administrative Assessment Fee, \$150.00 DNA Analysis Fee including testifying to determine genetic markers, \$760.00 Psychosexual Evaluation fee, and \$2,394.76 in Restitution, to Count 1 – a MINIMUM of SEVENTY-TWO (72) MONTHS and a MAXIMUM of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) MONTHS in the Nevada Department of Corrections (NDC), and in Count 2 – to a MINIMUM of NINETY-SIX (96) MONTHS with a MAXIMUM of TWO HUNDRED FORTY (240) MONTHS in the NDC, CONSECUTIVE TO COUNT 1; SUSPENDED; placed on PROBATION for an indeterminate period not to exceed FIVE (5) YEARS. The Court further imposed all of the conditions as required by NRS 176A.410. The Court further ordered a special SENTENCE OF LIFETIME SUPERVISION to commence upon release from any term or probation parole or imprisonment; and, Defendant register as a sex offender within forty-eight hours of sentencing or release from custody.

#### **LEGAL ARGUMENT**

### I. EVIDENCE OF J.T.'S PRIOR VICTIMIZATION IS IRRELEVANT AND THEREFORE INADMISSIBLE

The threshold question for the admissibility of evidence is relevance. <u>Brown v. State</u>, 107 Nev. 164, 168, 807 P.2d 1379, 1382 (1991). NRS 48.025(1) provides "all relevant evidence is admissible." NRS 48.015 states "relevant evidence' means evidence having any tendency to make the existence of any fact that is of consequence to the determination of the action more or less probable than it would be without the evidence." Such determinations of relevancy are within the discretion of the trial court. <u>Brown v. State</u>, 107 Nev. 164, 168, 807 P.2d 1379, 1382 (1991).

In the instant case, evidence regarding J.T. having previously been a victim of crime and the circumstances surrounding that case is irrelevant and therefore inadmissible. J.T.'s previous victimization has no bearing with regard to any issue in this case. Certainly, J.T. having previously been victimized by DAVID SCHLOMANN does nothing to prove or disprove the crimes committed by Defendant in this case. As such, the evidence is inadmissible and should be excluded as the basis for examination at trial.

# II. NRS 50.090 AND 48.069 PRECLUDE EXAMINATION REGARDING J.T'S PRIOR VICTIMIZATION

Nevada, joining a vast majority of jurisdictions, passed statutes limiting the admissibility at trial of evidence concerning the sexual history of a complaining witness in a rape or sexual assault case. To this end, NRS 50.090 prohibits the accused from impeaching a rape victim's credibility with evidence of her prior sexual conduct, unless the victim has testified regarding her sexual history or the prosecution has presented evidence regarding the victim's prior sexual conduct. In addition, NRS 48.069 provides:

In any prosecution for sexual assault or for attempt to commit or conspiracy to commit a sexual assault, if the accused desires to present evidence of any previous sexual conduct of the victim of the crime to prove the victim's consent:

- 1. The accused must first submit to the court a written offer of proof, accompanied by a sworn statement of the specific facts that he expects to prove and pointing out the relevance of the facts to the issue of the victim's consent.
- 2. If the court finds that the offer of proof is sufficient, the court shall order a hearing out of the presence of the jury, if any, and at the hearing allow the questioning of the victim regarding the offer of proof.
- 3. At the conclusion of the hearing, if the court determines that the offered evidence:
- (a) Is relevant to the issue of consent; and
- (b) Is not required to be excluded under NRS 48.035, the court shall make an order stating what evidence may be introduced by the accused and the nature of the questions which he is permitted to ask. The accused may then present evidence or question the victim pursuant to the order.

In <u>Summit v. State</u>, 101 Nev. 159, 697 P.2d 1374 (1985), the Nevada Supreme Court explained that the general policy behind rape victim shield laws is to (1) reverse the common law rule that use of evidence of a female complainant's general reputation for morality and chastity is admissible to infer consent and to attack credibility, (2) protect rape victims from degrading and embarrassing disclosure of intimate details about their private lives, and (3) encourage rape victims to come forward and report crimes and testify in court protected from unnecessary indignities and needless probing into their respective sexual histories. See also,

<u>Drake v. State</u>, 108 Nev. 523, 836 P.2d 52 (1992); <u>Brown v. State</u>, 107 Nev. 164, 807 P.2d 1370 (1991); <u>Lane v. Second Judicial Dist. Court</u>, 104 Nev. 427, 760 P.2d 1245 (1988).

In the instant case, any examination by the defense regarding J.T'S prior victimization constitutes a thinly veiled attempt to introduce evidence of the victim's prior sexual history, which has absolutely no relevance to this Defendant or this case. Rather, any questions concerning the prior victimization of J.T. and the circumstances surrounding it, would simply be an attempt to assault her character in front of the jury, in contradiction to the letter and policy of Nevada's rape shield statute. This is precisely the type of improper motive for examination that NRS 59.090 and 48.069 seek to preclude.

# III. EVIDENCE OF J.T.'S PRIOR VICTIMIZATON IS NOT ADMISSIBLE PURSUANT TO NRS 48.035

NRS 48.035 states in relevant part:

- 1. Although relevant, evidence is not admissible if its probative value is substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice, of confusion of the issues or of misleading the jury.
- 2. Although relevant, evidence may be excluded if its probative value is substantially outweighed by considerations of undue delay, waste of time or needless presentation of cumulative evidence.

From the foregoing it is clear that evidence of J.T.'S prior victimization and prior sexual history in that respect have no probative value in this case. Beyond that, the danger of unfair prejudice from such evidence is great. In addition, such evidence would add nothing to the Defendant's case and would unjustifiably delay the proceedings; and, mislead the jury as to the real issue in the case, which is whether this Defendant kidnapped J.T., used her to produce pornography, and, committed the crime of child abuse, neglect, or endangerment with substantial bodily and/or mental harm, by keeping her isolated from her family, engaging in sexual intercourse with her, keeping her from going to school; and, engaging in demeaning and controlling behaviors toward her.

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# IV. ADMISSION OF J.T'S PRIOR VICTIMIZATION WOULD CONSTITUTE IMPROPER CHARACTER EVIDENCE

NRS 50.085 states:

- 1. Opinion evidence as to the character of a witness is admissible to attack or support his credibility but subject to these limitations:
- (a) Opinions are limited to truthfulness or untruthfulness; and
- (b) Opinions of truthful character are admissible only after the introduction of opinion evidence of untruthfulness or other evidence impugning his character for truthfulness.
- 2. Evidence of the reputation of a witness for truthfulness or untruthfulness is inadmissible.
- 3. Specific instances of the conduct of a witness, for the purpose of attacking or supporting his credibility, other than conviction of crime, may not be proved by extrinsic evidence. They may, however, if relevant to truthfulness, be inquired into on cross-examination of the witness himself or on cross-examination of a witness who testifies to an opinion of his character for truthfulness or untruthfulness, subject to the general limitations upon relevant evidence and the limitations upon interrogation and subject to the provisions of NRS 50.090.

In <u>Lobato v. State</u>, 120 Nev. 512, 96 P.3d 765 (2004), the Nevada Supreme Court addressed the issue of the admissibility of extrinsic evidence and determined, in that case, the evidence was admissible because it was relevant to a mode of impeachment that does not implicate the collateral-fact rule-motivation to give false testimony.

In distinguishing the district court's error in not permitting Lobato to introduce extrinsic evidence to impeach the witness on the issue of her motive to testify, the Court noted:

FN 16. The present matter is distinct from prior cases in which we ruled that extrinsic evidence was inadmissible and therefore collateral. Those cases dealt with evidence of a witness's prior bad acts, not inquiry into a witness's bias or interest, and we ruled that the use of extrinsic evidence in such situations was impermissible. See, e.g., Collman v. State, 116 Nev. 687, 7 P.3d 426 (2000) (district court properly precluded questioning a state witness regarding an abortion; such evidence was immaterial to the question of whether the defendant committed homicide and therefore inadmissible); McKee v. State, 112 Nev. 642, 917 P.2d 940 (1996) (error for prosecutor to impeach defendant with extrinsic evidence regarding drug use on a specific day; such evidence was irrelevant to whether defendant trafficked drugs on another day and was therefore inadmissible collateral evidence); Rowbottom v. State, 105 Nev. 472, 779 P.2d

934 (1989) (error to admit extrinsic evidence of prior bad act to impeach defendant's credibility; prosecutor could only impeach by questioning defendant about the act during defendant's own testimony, not by introducing extrinsic evidence); Rembert v. State, 104 Nev. 680, 766 P.2d 890 (1988) (error to allow State to introduce immaterial extrinsic evidence of defendant's termination from employment; the issue at trial was whether defendant had the opportunity to commit sexual assault; therefore, the extrinsic evidence was collateral).

Pursuant to NRS 50.085, evidence of a witness' character is admissible only if it goes to truthfulness or untruthfulness. Moreover, extrinsic evidence, other than a prior criminal conviction, may not be used for the purpose of attacking the credibility of a witness.

### **CONCLUSION**

Based upon the above and foregoing Points and Authorities, the State respectfully requests this Court grant its Motion in Limine to Preclude Evidence of Victim's Prior Sexual Abuse at Trial.

DATED this 4th day of September, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565

BY /s/ JACQUELINE BLUTH

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Chief Deputy District Attorney
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## **CERTIFICATE OF E-MAIL** I, hereby certify that service of the above and foregoing, was made this 4th day of September, 2014, by e-mail to: JOHN J. MOMOT, ESQ. e-mail: momotlawfirm@gmail.com /s/ HOWARD CONRAD Secretary for the District Attorney's Office Special Victims Unit hjc/SVU

## DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

**COURT MINUTES** November 05, 2014 Felony/Gross Misdemeanor State of Nevada C-14-295158-1 VS Melvyn Sprowson, Jr. Defendant's Notice of **All Pending Motions** November 05, 2014 9:30 AM Motion and Motion for Independent Psychological/Psychi atric Examination of the Complaining Witness; STate's Motion in Limine to Preclude Evidence of Victim's Prior Sexual Abuse at Trial; Deft's

HEARD BY: Miley, Stefany COURTROOM: RJC Courtroom 12C

COURT CLERK: Katherine Streuber

**RECORDER:** Maria Garibay

**REPORTER:** 

**PARTIES** 

PRESENT: Bluth, Jacqueline

Sprowson, Melvyn Perry, Jr.

District Attorney

Defendant

Sweetin, James R

Zheng, Yi Lin

District Attorney

Attorney for Defendant

### **JOURNAL ENTRIES**

- Deft's Motion for Independent Psychological Psychiatric Examination of the Complaining Witness: Court pointed out State had not hired psychiatrist to testified. Counsel argued Abbott v. State case

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**Motion for Discovery** 

EXHIBIT "2

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and further argued substantial bodily harm. State advised they had chosen to use testimony of mother and child at Preliminary Hearing and noted they would bring in doctor who had seen child which is different from bringing in an expert. Court inquired whether the State would be turning over treatment records to the defense. State advised they could not turn them over. Counsel stated Koerschner had been satisfied and believed victim is being coached, therefore they should be allowed to have an independent examination. Court pointed out defense had requested an interview with the victim. Counsel agreed they had, however, victim's mother said no at the time. State argued Koerschner, noted kidnapping evidence being overwhelming, believed defense had not met their prongs and pointed out Court could not order victim to speak with anyone which would go against the mother's wishes. Counsel requested contact information and noted victim is 17 years of age and is getting ready to turn 18 to which victim could make her own decision. Court FINDS more than enough evidence outside testimony and ORDERED, motion DENIED. FURTHER, State to provide contact information; Colloquy regarding victim taking mood altering medications. State's Motion in Limine to Preclude Evidence of Victim's Prior Sexual Abuse at Trial: State argued the Rape Shield and noted parties cannot bring in other case nor get into any sexual conduct. Counsel argued Rape Shield did not apply in this case and believed State's motion to be premature. Court noted level of conflict with teenagers. State inquired how two traumas were to be separated and noted incidents have effected how family treats the victim. State then inquired of how to get around previous mental health treatment and noted traumas were not intertwined. Arguments by counsel. State suggested after Court releases medical records, parties could come up with appropriate Jury Instructions. Court stated the why is not important, believes previous history is relevant to the defense and defense should be allowed to get into history. Colloquy regarding prior medical records for in-camera review. Court agreed, however, it did not want to get into prior evidence and ORDERED, motion GRANTED IN PART; Deft's Motion for Discovery: Counsel advised they had received audios of interviews, noted transcripts of said recordings had not been received and requested motion be taken off calendar. COURT ORDERED, motion OFF CALENDAR. Colloquy regarding trial setting. Parties advised they would contact Court's Judicial Executive Assistant to discuss trial stacks and schedules.

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STEFANY A. MILEY
DISTRICT JUDGE

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### EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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DISTRICT COURT ADMIN CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA State of Nevada CASE NO: CLASS PLAINTIFF DEPT. NO: 23 -VS-MEDIA REQUEST AND ORDER ALLOWING CAMERA ACCESS TO COURT PROCEEDINGS \* Please fax to (702) 671-4548 to ensure that DEFENDANT the request will be processed as quickly as possible. (name), of The state of the sta hereby requests permission to broadcast, record, photograph or televise proceedings in the above-entitled case in \_\_Presiding, on the \_\_\_ Dept. No. 12 the Hororable Judge I hereby certify that I am familiar with, and will comply with Supreme Court Rules 229-246, inclusive If this request is being submitted less than twenty-four (24) hours before the above-described proceedings commence, the following facts provide good cause for the Court to grant the request on such short notice:

It is further understood that any media camera pooling arrangements shall be the sole responsibility of the media and must be arranged prior to coverage, without asking for the Court to mediate disputes.

Dated this 23 day of Service 2015

SIGNATURE

PHONE: (301) 219-557

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1 1	the inclinated request is denied because it was submitted less than 24 hours before the scheduled proceeding was to
	commence, and no "good cause" has been shown to justify granting the request on shorter notice.

The media request is denied for the following reasons:

The media request is granted. The requested media access remains in effect for each and every hearing in the abovecontiled case, at the discretion of the Court, and unless otherwise notified. This order is made in accordance with Supreme Court Rules 229-246, inclusive, at the discretion of the judge, and is subject to reconsideration upon motion of any party to the action. Media access may be revoked if it is shown that access is distracting the participants. impairing the dignity of the Court, or otherwise materially interfering with the administration of justice.

OTHER:

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this document shall be made a part of the record of the proceedings in this case.

JUDGE-STEFANY A. MILEY

## EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

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DEFENDANT	) MEDIA REQUEST ) )
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District Attorney	Pro Se
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25	SCHELL, JEFFREY	CCSDPD #0295
26	SMITH, CHERYL	c/o Clark County DA's Office
27	SMITH, KATHRYN	c/o Clark County DA's Office
28	SWARTWOOD, AMBER	HPD #1148

STRANGE, DR. MAYA - Willow Springs, 690 Edison Way, Reno, NV 89502 — Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

SILSBY, MS, PA-C - Willow Springs, 690 Edison Way, Reno, NV 89502 – Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

CRUMP, DANIEL, LCSW - Willow Springs, 690 Edison Way, Reno, NV 89502 – Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

DONALDSON, ROBYN, Psychologist – 2410 W. Horizon Ridge, #100, Henderson, NV, 89052 - Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

ROSENMAN, DR. EUGENE – 2775 S. Jones Blvd., #101, Las Vegas, NV 89146 - Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counsling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

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BRENNAN GARCIA, LYNDSEY, LCSW, Monte Vista Hospital - Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

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DAVIS, VENA, LCSW, Mojave Adult/Family Services - Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

These witnesses are in addition to those witnesses endorsed on the Information or Indictment and any other witness for which a separate Notice of Witnesses and/or Expert Witnesses has been filed.

1	The substance of each expert witness' testimony and copy of all reports made by or at
2	the direction of the expert witness has been provided in discovery.
3	A copy of each expert witness' curriculum vitae, if available, is attached hereto.
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17	I, hereby certify that service of the above and foregoing, was made this day of
18	October, 2015, by e-mail to:
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#### **Contact Information**

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89146

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### **Employment History**

July 2011- Present

Mojave Mental Health Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Responsibilities: Provide direct clinical needs to individuals, groups, and families who identify a need in receiving mental health assistance, which includes one-on-one therapy, targeted case management and linking/referring to Medicaid agencies in Nevada.

April 2010- September 2011 Clinical Reviewer

Magellan Medicaid

Responsibilities: Review of service requests against established and approved clinical criteria for medical necessity. Complete suitability assessments, functional assessments, evaluations, and attend mandatory meetings related to Medicaid policies and procedures.

July 2011-September 2008

Clinical Social Work Intern Mojave Mental Health

Provide direct clinical needs to individuals, Responsibilities: groups, and families who identify a need in receiving mental health assistance, which includes one-on-one therapy, targeted case management and linking/referring to Medicaid agencies in Nevada with supervision from a licensed clinical social worker.

September 2008-May 2007

**Clark County Social Service** Social Worker II

Responsibilities: Identifies social, economic, and physical needs of clients; assess client support systems, available community resources and other factors to plan, develop, and implement an appropriate service plan. Refer clients to

appropriate community medical, emotional, economic, and social support organizations; advocate for or assist client in obtaining such services.

April 2007-June 2005

Social Worker II Division for Aging Services

Responsibilities: Responsible for proper and efficient service delivery to the population served. Provide intensive case management as well as resources to disenfranchised individuals on caseload. Generate various protection reports in the event of neglect, abuse, or exploitation to the proper authorities. Responsible for proper documentation of events that take place, as well as maintaining and reporting an accurate account of time spent on managing caseload to fiscal analysts.

May 2005 - October 2004

Safari Guide (Waitress) Rainforest Café

Responsibilities: Take customers orders and execute their requests promptly and accurately. Ensure customer satisfaction throughout their visit at the restaurant.

October 2004-April 2004

Jungle Runner (Food Runner) Rainforest Café

Responsibilities: Responsible for making sure that the customers' food is received and presented in a timely manner.

April 2004 - August 2003

<u>Tour Guide</u> (<u>Hostess</u>)

Rainforest Café

Responsibilities: Responsible for taking reservations, customer service and directing the flow of restaurant traffic and instructing hosts to tables.

August 2003 - January 2002

Customer Service Representative Ultimate Electronics

Responsibilities: Handling cash, balancing bankbooks, and customer service. Generate service work orders and order necessary business materials for the staff.

August 2001 -March 2001

<u>Barista</u>

**Jitters Coffee** 

Responsibilities: Cash handling, made sure that areas were well

stocked and kept clean.

May 2000 -March 1999

Crewmember

Wendy's

Responsibilities: Cash handling, took orders and ensured that order was correct. Also handled food preparation used for the next business day.

### **Education History**

2005-2008 Major: Master of Social Work (Accredited by C.S.W.E.)

Degree: Master of Social Work

Educational Institution: University of Nevada Las Vegas, Las Vegas, Nevada

2005-2002 Major: Bachelor of Social Work (Accredited by C.S.W.E.)

Degree: Bachelor of Social Work

Educational Institution: University of Nevada Las Vegas, Las Vegas, Nevada

Honors: National Dean's List

2002-2001 Major: Biology

Degree: No Degree Obtained

Educational Institution: Grambling State University, Grambling, Louisiana

Honors: Honor Roll

2001-1999 Major: Psychology

Degree: Associate of Arts: General Studies

Educational Institution: Community College of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas,

Nevada

2001-1997 Major: General Education Curriculum

Certification: Diploma

Educational Institution: Community College High School of Southern Nevada

### **Educational Experiences**

### August 2007-April 2008

### Social Work Practicum Student Mojave Mental Health

Oriented to therapeutic processes/approaches that provides optimal effective outcomes with children and adults while in a clinical setting. Knowledge in completing various batteries such as CASII as well as assessing the results of the battery. Successfully facilitated a group for young adults in a therapeutic setting to identify their strengths and build on current limitations that obstruct the client's ability to achieve desired quality of life.

### January 2005- April 2005

### Social Work Practicum Student Public Defenders Office

Responsibilities: Facilitated entrance into the drug treatment program. Facilitated transportation for clients to enter inpatient drug treatment. Specifically worked with clients that are at low risk socio-economic standing who could not afford an attorney. Worked with individuals at C.C.D.C., families, court system, and inpatient facilities throughout the semester.

### August 2004-December 2004 Social Work Practicum Student Creekside Hospice

Responsibilities: Observed client interviews at client's homes and/or nursing facilities. Initiate monthly follow-ups with bereaved clients. Participate in weekly follow-ups with clients who have been diagnosed as terminally ill. Advocate for clients who were in need of medical assistance by completing required paperwork. Administer and Research national hospice requirements provided by the United States Government. Assess clients' psychosocial standings while in hospice care.

### January 2004-June 2004

## Social Work Practicum Student Protection Order Office (Safe Nest)

Responsibilities: Interview clients in search of temporary protection from the court of law. Actively listened to prospective clients individual interpretations of events that led to the pursuit of a protection order. Coordinated files of clients who received services from the office. Accessed and utilized state information regarding sentencing and "minutes" from courts pertinent to the person who had a charge against them and whether or not their order was approved.

June 2003-December 2003 <u>Volunteer</u> <u>Safe Nest Against Domestic Violence</u>

Responsibilities: Establish rapport with occupants in the shelter. Actively listened to clients who were in need of counsel. Administered medication to clients with various ailments. Participated in weekly phone conversations with potential victims of domestic violence.

### **Professional Trainings**

February 2015	Trauma, PTSD, and Traumatic Grief
November 2014	Dialectical Behavior Therapy with Families, Parents, and Couples (Pt. II)
August 2014	Sexual Health Educator Program
April 2014	Dialectical Behavior Therapy with Families, Parents, and Couples
February 2014	Advanced Ethics: Malpractice and Liability in Helping Professions
December 2013	Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality
November 2013	Arts of Mindfulness and Counseling Conference
October 2013	Stage II Treatment in Dialectical Behavioral Therapy
September 2013	Stage II Treatment in Dialectical Behavioral Therapy
August 2013	Trauma Informed Care for Professionals
February 2013	Ethics in Action
December 2012	Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (Part Four)
October 2012	Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (Part Three)
August 2012	Together Facing the Challenge, Foster Care Supervisor Training
August 2012	Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (Part Two)
June 2012	Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (Part One)
May 2011	3-5-7 Model Training
April 2011	Overview: Dialectical Behavior Therapy
April 2011	Independent Living Advanced Training Part One and Part Two
February 2011	Child on Child Sexual Abuse
August 2010	Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect
January 2010	Dialectical Behavior Therapy (Basic and Advanced)
October 2009	Attachment Issues of Childhood-An Overview

June 2009 Client Rights

April 2009 Ethics: Professional Relationships and Boundary Issues

February 2009 P.T.S.D.: Making Sense of Trauma

January 2009 Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

October 2008 Adoptcare Network Training: Serving Adoptive Families

September 2007 Adoption Transplants

August 2007 Member of National Association of Social Workers

Licensure

July 2011 Licensed Clinical Social Worker (State of Nevada)

January 2011 C.P.R. Certified (Red Cross)

August 2008 Licensed Intermediate Social Worker (State of Nevada)

May 2005 Licensed Social Worker (State of Nevada)

April 2003 C.P.R. Certified (Medic First Aid)

**Awards** 

April 2015 National Association for Social Workers: Rising Star Award

March 2006 Star Fish Award/Employee of the Month (Division of Aging Services)

May 2005 Phi Alpha (Social Work Honor Society, Inactive Member)

#### **Interests**

My interests are broad and various surrounding my career in Social Work; one of the endeavors that I would like to begin is independent contract employment for individuals who receive varying insurance coverage in the State of Nevada and are in need of additional therapeutic support to

enhance harmony in their lives. I am hardworking and committed to providing effective service delivery to promote my clients well-being and self-sufficiency. I received my Bachelor's and Master's degree in Social Work from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. I am currently a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and I am looking forward to furthering my formal education in the future.

Various experiences that I have encountered while in my profession as well as previous field practicum experiences that I have successfully completed have provided well-rounded exposure to a variety of individuals with various socio-economic statuses and various social classes. I have a good working knowledge of life issues that affect adults, children, and families. I believe the skills that I have would be helpful to individuals with mental health issues.

I consistently strive towards improving my skills and abilities; I am open to constructive criticism, as it is critical and necessary for growth in this profession. My resume is enclosed for observation and consideration of being added to the open panel provided through Harmony Health Care. The resume reflects my accomplishments, which includes a National Dean's List Honor, field experience working with a variety of individuals from various backgrounds and a concentration of coursework related to working with individuals from an interpersonal level to an organizational level.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,

Vena M. Davis, L.C.S.W.

Hum D. Lohn MOT 1 STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565 **CLERK OF THE COURT** JACQUELINE BLUTH 3 Chief Deputy District Attorney Nevada Bar #10625 200 Lewis Avenue 4 Las Vegas, Nevada 89155-2212 5 (702) 671-2500 Attorney for Plaintiff 6 7 DISTRICT COURT 8 **CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA** 9 10 THE STATE OF NEVADA, 11 Plaintiff, 12 -VS-CASE NO: C-14-295158-1 MELVYN PERRY SPROWSON, JR. 13 DEPT NO: XXIII #5996049 Defendant. 14 15 16 NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION TO ADMIT EVIDENCE OF OTHER BAD ACTS 17 DATE OF HEARING: 18 TIME OF HEARING: 9:30 AM 19 COMES NOW, the State of Nevada, by STEVEN B. WOLFSON, Clark County 20 District Attorney, through JACQUELINE BLUTH, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and 21 submits this Notice of Motion and Motion to Admit Evidence of Other Bad Acts. 22 This Motion is made and based upon all the papers and pleadings on file herein, the 23 attached points and authorities in support hereof, and oral argument at the time of hearing, if 24 deemed necessary by this Honorable Court. 25 /// 26 /// 27 /// 28

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### NOTICE OF HEARING

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned will bring the foregoing motion on for setting before the above entitled Court, in Department XXIV thereof, on \_\_\_\_\_, the <u>26</u> \_\_\_\_day of October, 2015, at 9:30 AM, or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

DATED this 9th day of October,5.

STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565

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Chief Deputy District Attorney Nevada Bar#10625

### FACTS RELATED TO THE UNDERLYING CASE

During the month of October 2013, Clark County School District Police Officer, Gary Abbot, was contacted by the victim's mother, Kathryn Smith, who requested help from Officer Abbott because the victim had run away from home. Kathryn advised that she had filed a runaway report with the Henderson Police Department on August 30, 2013. Officer Abbot contacted HPD and was informed that the victim had been communicating with Defendant based on emails and messages on craigslist.com. Proof of that communication was provided to the Henderson Police Department.

Officer Abbott conducted a records check and learned that Defendant was a kindergarten teacher at Wengert Elementary School, Las Vegas, Nevada. Officer Abbott and Detective Platt met with Defendant at Wengert Elementary School on October 31, 2013. Defendant agreed to speak with them and admitted to knowing the 16-year-old victim, stating that he had communicated with her via text messages, craiglist.com and phone calls. Defendant indicated that he chats with several people at one time and the messages sometimes run together. Defendant denied knowing the victim's whereabouts but did admit to wiring the victim \$150.00, one time, in the past.

On November 1, 2013, Officer Abbott went to Defendant's apartment to conduct a knock and talk. Officer Abbott knocked on the door of Defendant's apartment and recognized the juvenile female that opened the door as being the victim in this case. Officer Abbott then contacted Sgt. Maciszak and informed him that the victim was at Defendant's residence.

Sgt. Maciszak and Detective Schell went to Defendant's residence and met with the victim. The Defendant had posted an ad that stated, "Lonely Millionaire" and listed a fake age of 30 years old. The victim replied that she was 16 years old and the two continued talking online and getting to know each other on Craigslist and then moved to a program called "Kik", they also exchanged photographs.

In the beginning of their communication, the two were just friends but that changed around August 1st when Defendant asked the victim to "go out" and they became official boyfriend and girlfriend. Later on in the relationship the Victim actually found out Defendant was 44 years old. During the course of their relationship Defendant asked Victim to send him pictures and would direct her poses in the pictures.

The first time the Victim and the Defendant actually physically met each other was at the roller skating rink where Victim was hanging out with her friend Jessica. The Victim told her friend that Defendant was an old teacher of hers; the Victim later testified that she knew she had to keep the relationship a secret because her mom would not approve. The Victim even told the Defendant that she couldn't tell her mom because her mom "wouldn't be happy at all" with this type of situation. Therefore, the Victim and the Defendant used precautionary methods so that her mom would not find out about the relationship. The Victim would make sure that the Defendant wouldn't call and they wouldn't video chat when her mom was home. The two even devised a plan that if anybody ever found out about their relationship she "would just keep coming back to him."

About a month or so after meeting the Defendant the Victim told her mom that she was going to be staying the night at her friend's house. Instead of going to her friend's house, the Victim was picked up by the Defendant and they went to his house. After the first night at the Defendant's home, the Victim called her mom and told her that she wanted to spend another

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night at her friend's home and her mother said that was fine. During these two nights J.T. and the Defendant were intimate once or twice. The Defendant did not wear a condom and told the victim that he could not have kids so they didn't need to use a condom. After they spent those nights together the Defendant gave her a promise ring and promised they would be together. When Victim returned home her mom saw the ring that the Defendant had given her. After the Victim gave her mother several conflicting stories of how she got the ring, her mother figured out that she had not been honest with her and had not been staying over at her friend's house. The Victim's mother then went through the Victim's phone records and saw there had been an overload of communication with a certain number. The Victim's mother then took away the victim's phone and computer. Later that same evening, the Victim snuck into her mother's room and e-mailed the Defendant asking him to come and pick her up, because if he didn't she wouldn't be able to be with him. Defendant agreed to come and get the Victim and told her to bring her birth certificate and social security card, because she would need them to get a job and other things when she got older. They then devised a plan for her to stick it out, in the house, until she was 17 and a half, and then they were going to get married and she was going to go to school.

When the two got to the Defendant's house he changed his telephone number because the Victim had told him her mother had figured everything out. The Victim lived with Defendant for two months, from August 28th until November 1st.

While living with the Defendant, they made an agreement for her not to attend school because she would be found if she did go. They also agreed that she should go undetected until she was 17 and a half, when she would be old enough to get married and go to school. During the period that Victim lived with Defendant there were rules; these rules included having no guys in the house and for her not to go outside because she could be found. The Victim would sometimes ask Defendant to take her out of the house but he would be too tired. When Defendant did take her out of the house it would always be at night, and she would dress like a boy with a hat, glasses, and baggier clothing.

During the eight or nine weeks that the Victim was with Defendant she and Defendant

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27 28 stumbled upon her family on Twitter, looking for her. The Victim discovered that her mom was looking for her after her aunt posted on Twitter indicating that she was missing and to please repost. Victim and Defendant also saw posts on Facebook as well. Defendant told her that her mom wanted control over her and that is why her family was posting.

The Victim and Defendant put a plan in place if they ever got into a position where they were found. The plan was that she would just keep coming back; if they had to communicate they could do so by using a name that they intended to name their first child and use Defendant's birthdate. The Victim later told her mother that Defendant told her that if they were discovered not to worry because he had \$30,000 and he would come and get her. They also planned for her to tell the police that he was looking for a roommate and she found him on Craigslist. The Victim was not to discuss their relationship and it was supposed to look like they were just roommates.

On November 1st, the police came to the door while she was home alone. She spoke with them but she was not honest with them, in regards to her and the Defendant having sex. She also told the police that they were just roommates, in her mind she was sticking to their plan. After speaking with the Victim, police again encountered Defendant at the school in which he worked. He again denied knowing the Victim specifically or knowing where she was at. He was then arrested.

### FACTS RELATED TO INFORMATION STATE IS SEEKING TO ADMIT **INTO EVIDENCE**

On January 2, 2015, Officer Malone with Henderson Police Department was dispatched to the Victim's home where he met the Victim's mother, K.S.

K.S. explained that her daughter is a current victim in an active court case wherein Melvyn Sprowson is the suspect.

K.S. told the officer that she heard her daughter scream "he found me." The Victim then showed K.S. her iPod in which she had received several Instagram messages from username "audrey 6697".

The Victim told her mom she recently accepted a friend request from "audrey\_6697", without having knowledge of who the person was. The conversation went as follows:

- Victim to "audrey\_6697" a message, "your name is the name I wanted to name my daughter and my birthday!!!"
- "audrey 6697" responded with, "is it or do we know someone in common;)."
- The Victim then responded by asking if "audrey\_6697" was "Mel?"
- "audrey 6697" responded with ":)"
- In the following message "audrey\_6697" stated "it's me" and "11/19/68", which is the Defendant's birthday.
- Later "audrey\_6697" admits "It's me Mel", " I'll get in trouble if they find out I'm talking to you", "Please don't say anything to anyone."
- "audrey\_6697" then makes mention of the fact he is in Oklahoma.
- "audrey\_6697" sent several other messages about private issues, to include an argument about him giving her an STD.

While Officer Malone was at the home taking the report he noted that "audrey\_6697" changer his username several times to the following "lisa\_thomas04" and "nowwaydude555".

The Victim emailed screen shots of the messages to Officer Malone, which were booked into evidence.

On January 14, 2014 the Henderson Police Department records were forwarded to Detective Caldwell with Clark County School District Police. An investigation was then started and conducted. Detectives then served Instagram and Facebook with a search warrant for the aforementioned user names.

On 1/20/15, Detective Caldwell received a response from Facebook that showed the user accounts "nowaydude555", "lisa\_thomas04" and "audrey\_6697" were all accessed using the following IP (24.139.36.19) and email address (sequence580@hotmail.com). The IP (24.139.36.19) address was using an internet based application called "Who Is", it showed the IP address was owned by Fidelity Communications.

On 1/20/15 Detective Caldwell faxed an administrative subpoena to Fidelity Communications requesting user information for the aforementioned IP address. Fidelity responded identifying the owner of IP address 24.139.36.19 as Delux Inn, 1709 NW Cache Road, Lawton OK 73507. Detectives then called the Delux Inn and spoke with Bob Patel, Manager. Mr. Patel confirmed that anyone could access the internet from the hotel.

Detectives then checked the address of the Delux Inn using google maps and found it to be approximately 3.8 miles from the listed address of Melvyn Sprowson Jr.

Detectives then called the Lawton Police Department and asked to speak with Detective Lombardo who is a SVU detective in Oklahoma.

On 1/27/15, Det. Lombardo went to the Deluxe Inn at 1709 NW Cache Rd and Spoke to owners Bob and Usha Patel. The owners allowed the Detective to look through the registrations cards where she found a registration for "Mel Sprowson" which also gave an address listed. The owners stated that Sprowson checked in to their motel on 12-28-14 and stayed for seven consecutive days. Sprowson further listed a Ford Mustang with a license number \*\*\*KWC OK as the vehicle he was driving. Detective further showed a photo of Sprowson to the owners who did identified this individual as the person who rented room #107.

### STATEMENT OF THE LAW

## I. DEFENDANT'S POST-RELEASE CONDUCT IS ADMISSIBLE BECAUSE IT IS RELEVANT TO SHOW HIS INTENT, MOTIVE, PLAN, AND PREPARATION.

Evidence that Defendant Sprowson violated the no-contact order is relevant in this case to prove Defendant's intent, motive, plan, and preparation. NRS 48.045(2) provides:

Evidence of other crimes, wrongs or acts is not admissible to prove the character of a person in order to show that he acted in conformity therewith. It may, however, be admissible for other purposes, such as proof of motive, opportunity, intent, preparation, plan, knowledge, identity, or absence of mistake or accident.

In order to admit such evidence, the State must establish that (1) the incident is relevant to the crime charged; (2) the act is proven by clear and convincing evidence; and (3) the

probative value of the evidence is not substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice. Tinch v. State, 113 Nev. 1170, 1176 (1997); Walker v. State, 112 Nev. 819, 824, 921 P.2d 923, 926 (1996); Petrocelli v. State, 101 Nev. 46, 52, 692 P.2d 503, 508 (1985). However, the decision to admit or exclude such evidence lies within the discretion of the court. A decision will not be reversed absent manifest error. Kazalyn v. State, 108 Nev. 67, 825 P.2d 578 (1992); Halbower v. State, 93 Nev. 212, 562 P.2d 485 (1977).

The landmark case discussed in all motions to admit evidence of other bad acts is Petrocelli v. State, 101 Nev. 46, 692 P.2d 503 (1985). In that case, Petrocelli was charged with shooting a car salesman in the head with a .22 caliber handgun. Petrocelli claimed that the shooting was an accident that occurred during an argument with the car dealer. Id. at 49. During the trial, the court allowed the State to present evidence that Petrocelli had previously become embroiled in an argument with a female, that he dragged her out of her place of employment, and killed her with a .22 caliber handgun. Id. at 52. Petrocelli had claimed her death was also an accident. Id. The Nevada Supreme Court upheld the trial court's decision to allow such evidence to establish the absence of mistake or accident. Id. The Court reasoned that:

... that the "two killings with the same gun involving the same person, Mr. Petrocelli, who within a short period of time [committed the killings]" bore sufficient similarity to admit the evidence at trial. The Nevada Courts have recognized the value of evidence of other crimes and have upheld its admissibility in sex cases.

The State is requesting the Court to look at each of the following sections of this motion in order to assess whether this evidence is admissible. The State submits that the evidence the State is seeking to admit is relevant; it can be proven by clear and convincing evidence, and its probative value is not substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice.

The State submits this evidence is admissible under NRS 48.045 in the following areas:

### **Motive and Intent**

Defendant's motive and intent have become a material issue in this case. In every argument, whether it is justice or district court, the Defense has stated that it was the victim's idea to "run away" and that her mother made her so miserable that she was the one who was

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so desperate to get out of her house. Previous defense counsel as well as the Defendant have stated that the Defendant had no motive or intent in any of this, but it was actually the child who basically moved herself in. Defense has painted Defendant as an innocuous bystander, rather than the mastermind behind this entire crime.

In every court appearance since this case began there has been discussion of the victim's mental state, her current treatment, and her well-being. Defendant sat through each and every one of those arguments and heard that the victim was struggling. In fact when Defendant was released from custody the State made clear that they were requesting he have absolutely no contact with the Victim in this case. This Honorable Court agreed and clearly told Defendant that he was prohibited from contacting the Victim in any way.

Knowing about the Victim's condition and being strictly informed by this Court of the no contact order, Defendant still could not abide by those rules and reached out to Victim. This could not be any clearer or indicative of Defendant's motive and intent. In interviews with police the Victim has stated that the two of them made a plan if they got caught, "she would just keep coming back to him" and he had saved \$30,000 they could use to get away. Furthermore, if they needed to contact one another without anybody knowing who they were they planned to use the name they were going to name their first child, and use the Defendant's birthdate. When Defendant reached out to her, he used both of these clues. Defendant reaching out to her once they were both free from constraint illustrates his motive and intent was to continue on with their plan, reunite, and keep her from her mother.

### Plan and Preparation

As aforementioned, there was a plan to keep reuniting if they were separated between the Defendant and the Victim in this case. The plan was unsuccessful for a few reasons, mainly due to Defendant being incarcerated and Victim being in an inpatient mental facility. Since, neither of them were free to do what they wished, neither could follow through with their plan to keep going back to one another and/or run away. The first chance that Defendant had once he got out of custody and J.T. got out of the facility he contacted her. The State believes this is just further evidence of his plan and preparation to put his plan in action to be with J.T. and

keep her away from her guardians.

The State submits that it has proven which areas of 48.045 are applicable in this situation. However, in order for this evidence to be admissible, three prongs need to be met. The three prongs are discussed below.

### Relevance

This is incredibly relevant when taking into consideration the fact that Defendant has completely absolved himself from any blame. The defense has always been and will be that Defendant had nothing to do with this and it was all driven by J.T. The law says that consent by a minor can never be a defense to kidnapping, while that is true, acting like you had nothing to do with any of this, and it was completely planned and carried out by J.T. would be a defense. The jury is entitled to know the complete story of what happened, Defendant's actions before, during, and after are all relevant to this case.

### **Clear and Convincing Evidence**

The State submits with a hearing the State could prove that Defendant's conduct could be proven by clear and convincing evidence. Defendant used information that he would only know, the IP address comes back to a hotel he was staying at, and the Instagram account is associated with his personal information.

### Prejudice v. Probative

In this case, the probative value far exceeds any prejudice. Really there is little to no prejudice handed to Defendant if the jury knows that he contacted the Victim after he was told not to. The State does not intend to present evidence that this action wound him back in custody. So, in regards to "other bad act" evidence, it doesn't get much more innocuous than this. That doesn't mean it's not relevant though, it is completely relevant because it shows Defendant's motive, intent, and plan to reunite with J.T.

The State believes this evidence to have great probative value because it shows Defendant's true intentions and motives. Not only did Defendant violate the no contact order but when he did so, he used tactics that he and J.T. had come up with if they ran into the situation where they were forced apart.

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This is not a situation where the State is attempting to bring in prior sexual bad acts, of which the Defendant has been investigated for previously. The State is merely trying to show that Defendant is not a complete bystander in this entire situation, but an active participant in keeping J.T. from her mother. At trial the State is responsible for proving this case beyond a reasonable doubt, this evidence is completely probative and relevant and not the type of behavior that would prejudice Defendant.

### **CONCLUSION**

Based on all of the foregoing reasons, the State respectfully this motion be granted.

DATED this 8th day of October, 2013.

STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565

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Chief Deputy District Attorney Nevada Bar#10625

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** October, 2015, by e-mail to: MICHAEL YOHAY, Dep. Public Defender (Standby Counsel) E-mail: yohaymr@clarkcountynv.gov MELVYN SPROWSON, ID #5996049 Clark County Detention Center 330 S. Casino Center Blvd., LVNV 89101 (hand delivery) Secretary for the District Attorney's Office Special Victims Unit tgd/MVU

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THIS MATTER having come on for hearing before the above entitled Court on the 10th day of December, 2015, the Defendant being present, in Proper Person, the Plaintiff being represented by STEVEN B. WOLFSON, District Attorney, through JACQUELINE BLUTH, Chief Deputy District Attorney, and the Court having heard the arguments of counsel and Defendant and good cause appearing therefor,

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THE STATE'S MOTION to Admit Evidence of Other Bad Acts is granted under the three prongs of Petrocielli v. State, 101 Nev. 46, (1985). The Court's findings are as follows:

The Court finds the evidence presented to be clear and convincing. The Court finds the testimony of Detective Matt Caldwell to be credible. Through Detective Caldwell's investigation he found that the usernames associated with the Instagram account came back

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to Defendant, as well as the email account associated with the Instagram account. Additionally, his investigation revealed that the IP address associated with these accounts came from a hotel where Defendant was staying during that time period. This hotel was also found to be 3.8 miles from Defendant's home. Hotel records show Defendant to be staying at that hotel on a registration card which has Defendant's personal information, including his driver's license number, which was also presented at the hearing. Also, the Court finds the testimony of the Victim, J.T., to be credible regarding this act. The information in the Instagram conversation is information that only the Victim and Defendant knew; such as the name they planned on naming their first daughter, as well as the dates of birth for both the Victim and the Defendant.

The Court finds the probative value of this evidence is not substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice.

The Court finds this evidence to be relevant for the purposes of showing Defendant's motive and intent. This conduct illustrates Defendant's continuous attempt to be with the Victim even after being admonished by the Court to have no contact with the Victim. The Instagram records show Defendant to have been communicating with the Victim such things as "I love you," "Does this mean we are breaking up" and "Do not tell anyone."

DATED this day of Dece	ember, 2015.
STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565	DISTRICT JUDGE  JUDGE STEFANY A. MILEY

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I, hereby certify that service of the above and foregoing, was made this 26th day of October, 2015, by e-mail to:

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### Work Experience:

Internal Medicine and Pediatrics: Bryn Rodriguez Medical Services P.C. 8/12-present Cared for both adult and pediatrics patients in a variety of inpatient settings including inpatient acute hospitalization, acute and subacute rehabilitation centers, psychiatric hospitals and nursing homes in Las Vegas, Nevada.

10/2011-7/2013 Hospitalist: IPC The Hospitalist Company Attended patients in the inpatient and rehab settings to achieve the best care possible for my adult patients while residing in the hospital mainly at Southern Hills Hospital and Summerlin Hospital.

8/2008-11/2010 House Physician: Monrovia Medical Center Responded to emergent patient needs overnight and performed pre-operative evaluations of patients undergoing mostly orthopedic procedures.

## Leadership Positions Held:

Director of Quality and Medical Executive Committee Member - elected position Associate Medical Director of Health South Desert Canyon 2015-present Medical Director of Las Vegas Post Acute Pediatric Unit 2014-present Associate Medical Director of Harmony Hospice 2013-present Co-Chair of the Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee 2013-present Chair of the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee, Southern Hills Hospital 2012-present Medical Director of Torrey Pines Subacute Rehabilitation Hospital 2013-2014 Physician Representative, Ethics Committee, Southern Hills Hospital 2012-present Physician Advisory Group, Southern Hills Hospital 2012-present

#### **Education:**

Residency: LAC+USC (Los Angeles, CA) 2007-2011 Specialty: Internal Medicine and Pediatrics

Medical Doctorate: Emory University (Atlanta, GA) 2007

Away Rotations: Pediatric Infectious Disease at the Hospital de Ninos in San Juan, Rica (11/06) and General Med-Peds at Children's Hospital #2 and Victoria Costa

Healthcare International Clinic in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Master of Arts: University of Virginia (Charlottesville, VA) 2003 Bioethics Thesis: Physician Responsibility and Health Promotion - A Doctor's Role in **Preventing Obesity** 

Bachelor of Science: Duke University (Durham, NC)

Major: The Bio-Psycho-Social Human Experience. Foreign Exchange Experience: Introduction to Field Ethnobiology, Organization for Tropical Studies, Costa Rica

Secondary Diploma: Bexley High School (Bexley, OH) 1999 Valedictorian

### **Certifications:**

Board Certified in Internal Medicine 8/2011 Board Certified in Pediatrics 10/2011 Nevada Medical License 7/2015 BLS and ACLS completed 4/2015

### **Research Publications:**

Tschannen-Moran BM, Lewis E, Farrell SP. Childhood Obesity: Policy Issues in 2003. Journal of Pediatric Nursing. 2003 Dec; 18(6): 416-420

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23	as to his/her practice and practice m	ethods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will
24	testify to the examination, observat	tions, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the
25	Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres	, including any plans for continued care.
26	CRUMP, DANIEL, LCSW	- Willow Springs, 690 Edison Way, Reno, NV 89502 -
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DONALDSON, ROBYN, Psychologist – 2410 W. Horizon Ridge, #100, Henderson, NV, 89052 - Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

ROSENMAN, DR. EUGENE – 2775 S. Jones Blvd., #101, Las Vegas, NV 89146 - Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counsling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

CHELLI, FRANCES, CSW Intern, H.O.P.E. Counseling - Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

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DAVIS, VENA, LCSW, Mojave Adult/Family Services - Will testify as to his/her practice and practice methods within his/her field of expertise. Additionally, will testify to the examination, observations, counseling/therapy, treatment, and diagnosis of the Victim in this case, Jaysenia Torres, including any plans for continued care.

These witnesses are in addition to those witnesses endorsed on the Information or Indictment and any other witness for which a separate Notice of Witnesses and/or Expert Witnesses has been filed.

A copy of each expert witness' curriculum vitae, if available, is attached hereto.

STEVEN B. WOLFSON Clark County District Attorney Nevada Bar #001565

BY /s/ JAMES R. SWEETIN

JACQUELINE BLUTH
Chief Deputy District Attorney
Nevada Bar #010625

for

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, hereby certify that service of the above and foregoing, was made this 23RD day of October, 2015, by e-mail to:

MICHAEL YOHAY, Dep. Public Defender (Standby Counsel) E-mail: yohaymr@clarkcountynv.gov

MELVYN SPROWSON, ID #5996049 Clark County Detention Center 330 S. Casino Center Blvd., LVNV 89101 (hand delivery)

/s/ HOWARD CONRAD

Secretary for the District Attorney's Office Special Victims Unit

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THE STATE OF NEVADA, PLAINTIFF,

vs.

MELVYN SPROWSON, JR. DEFENDANT.

CASE NO: C-14-295158-1

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of the following documents: Court Exhibit #1, Filed Under Seal – protected
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diagnosis, prescription(s), methods of treatment and physical examinations given or provided on or about August 2013 to the present.

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Receipt acknowledged by:

Michael Yohay, Esq./Public Defender's Office

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#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

MELVYN P. SPROWSON, JR., Appellant,

VS.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

Supreme Court No. 68797 District Court Case No. C295158

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**CLERK'S CERTIFICATE** 

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STATE OF NEVADA, ss.

I, Tracie Lindeman, the duly appointed and qualified Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada, do hereby certify that the following is a full, true and correct copy of the Judgment in this matter.

#### **JUDGMENT**

The court being fully advised in the premises and the law, it is now ordered, adjudged and decreed, as follows:

"ORDER this appeal DISMISSED."

Judgment, as quoted above, entered this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2015.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the Supreme Court at my Office in Carson City, Nevada this November 30, 2015.

Tracie Lindeman, Supreme Court Clerk

By: Sally Williams Deputy Clerk

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#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
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#### ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

This is an appeal from a district court order denying a pretrial motion to suppress evidence. Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County; Stefany Miley, Judge.

Our initial review of this appeal revealed a jurisdictional defect. Specifically, it appeared that no statute or court rule allows a defendant to appeal from an order denying a pretrial motion to suppress evidence. See Castillo v. State, 106 Nev. 349, 352, 792 P.2d 1135, 1135 (1990); NRS 177.015(2). Accordingly, on September 24, 2015, we ordered appellant's counsel to show cause why this appeal should not be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction.

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To date, appellant's counsel has not responded to the order to show cause. Nevertheless, having reviewed the documents filed with the notice of appeal, we conclude that we lack jurisdiction to consider this appeal, and we

ORDER this appeal DISMISSED.1

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Cherry, J.

cc: Hon. Stefany Miley, District Judge
Law Office of John J. Momot
Melvyn P. Sprowson, Jr.
Attorney General/Carson City
Clark County District Attorney
Eighth District Court Clerk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>We deny as most the motion to withdraw as counsel of record filed on September 23, 2015.

This document is a full, true and correct copy of the original on file and of record in my office.

DATE: Line Supreme Court Clerk, state of Nevada

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#### **REMITTITUR**

TO: Steven D. Grierson, Eighth District Court Clerk

Pursuant to the rules of this court, enclosed are the following:

Certified copy of Judgment and Opinion/Order. Receipt for Remittitur.

DATE: November 30, 2015

Tracie Lindeman, Clerk of Court

By: Sally Williams Deputy Clerk

cc (without enclosures):

Hon. Stefany Miley, District Judge Melvyn P. Sprowson, Jr. Attorney General/Carson City Clark County District Attorney Law Office of John J. Momot

#### **RECEIPT FOR REMITTITUR**

Received of Tracie Lindeman, Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada, the REMITTITUR issued in the above-entitled cause, on
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DEPARTMENT TWENTY THREE LAS VEGAS NV 89101-2408

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Dated: December 10, 2015

Michael R. Yohai, Esq. on behalf of

Melvyn Sprowson, Jr.

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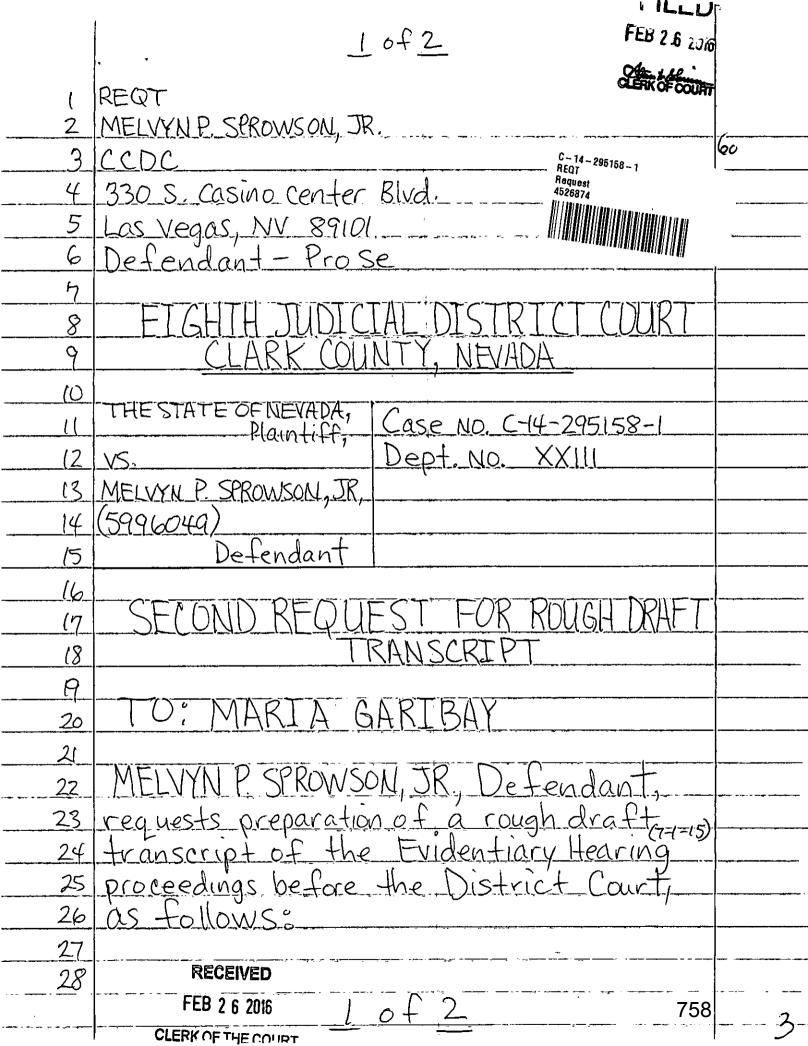
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,	Judge hearing the proceedings:
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5	Specific individual date of proceeding:
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18_	I hereby certify that on the
19	22nd day of February, 2016, I ordered the transcript listed
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21_	above from the court recorder
22	named above, and the required
<u>23</u>	deposit and fee is waived, because
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Steven D. Grierson, Clerk of the District Court 200 Lewis Avenue, 3rd Floor Las vegas, NV 89155-1160

ħ·	IBM/584 Computer Serial # KCLV82D on the	
2	grounds that the seizure and search violated	
3_	the United States and Nevada Constitution	<del></del>
	and Nevada Statutory Law NRS 179.085. In	
	addition to the suppression order, the Defendant	
6	moves this Honorable Court, to DISMISS any	
	and all charges that are the fruit of the	
	unlawfully seized and searched evidence,	i—
9	namely. the charges of NRS 200,700,200,710 AXB)	
10	and 200,750 with prejudice. This Motion is	
	made based upon all papers and pleadings on	
	File herein, the attached Memorandum of	
13	Points and Authorities in support hereof, and	
14	oral argument at the time of the hearing on	
	this matter, if deemed necessary by this Honorable	
16	Court.	
17	DATED this 11th day of March , 2016.	
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19	M. Sprowsen A.	
20	MELVYN P. SPROWSON, JR.	
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22	Notice of Motion	
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24	You and each of you, will please take	
25	notice that the undersigned will bring the	·· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
26	foregoing Motion on for hearing in the above	
27	entitled Court on the 6th day of April	
28	2016, at the hour of 9: 30 AM A.M./P.M., or as soon as	نوائد الشام
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1	the Defendant by way of Proper Person may be heard by this Honorable Caurt.	
2	heard by this Honorable Court.	
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4	M. Sprowson of	-
5	MELVYN P. SPROWSON, JR.	
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7	MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES	
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9	I. HISTORY AND BACKGROUND	·
10	On November 01,2013, the Defendant was arrested	
11	For 1st Degree Kidnapping (NRS 200,310, 200,320) Child Abuse	
	and Neglect (NRS 200.508), Contributing to the Delinquency of	
13	a Minor (NRS 201,110), and Obstructing a Public Officer	
14	(NRS 197, 190). The Defendant was then booked and	
15	detained at Clark County Detention Center. The	
16	Defendant's Iphone 4 Serial #88123FJSA4T was	
17	Seized and booked into evidence during the arrest.	
18	The Defendant's home at 4915 Russell Road, #143,	
19	Las Vegas, Nevada, was searched on December 06, 2013,	
20	and the Defendant's property was seized. The following	
21	Tuesday, December 10, 2013, a preliminary hearing was	
22	Continued until December 30, 2013, and four (4)	
23	Counts of Unlawful Use of a Minor in the	
2.4	Production of Pornography (NRS 200, 700, 200, 710(AXB),	
. 25	200.750) were added and amended to the charges.	
26	The Defendant made bail and was released on	
27	May 02, 2014. The Defendant was then remanded	
28	back into custody on February 04,2015, allegedly  3 of 29  763	
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1	for violating a condition of the bail, which	
2	was not to contact the alleged victim.	
3_	Next, an evidentiary hearing was heard on	**************************************
4	July 01, 2015 in regards to the unlawful entries	
5	into the Defendant's home on November 01, 2013	
6	at 4915 Russel Road # 143, Las Vegas, Nevada, by	
7	Ofc. Abbott of the Clark County School District	
	Police Department (CCSOPD) and the maintenance	
	Staff of Mesa Ridge Tourhomes During the end of	<del></del>
10	the hearing, an issue was raised as to the	
	December 06,2013 search and seizure warrants,	
12	and that they could not be located, The "State"	······
13	did not have them in their possession at the hearing	
14	either. As a result of this, the Defendant inquired	
	with the Courts, to locate whether there were any	
16	search and seizure warrants on file under	<u>i </u>
	event/DR# 1311-05723, and none could be found	
	by the Courts.	
19	Coincidentally, on July 22, 2015, the Defendants	<u> </u>
20	then attorney, John J. Momot, withdraws as	<del></del>
21	attorney on record. The Defendant then proceeded	<del></del>
22	Pro Se on August 24, 2015 and filed a second	- <del></del>
23	Motion to Suppress evidence, heard on October	<del></del>
24	19,2015, based upon the seemingly unfiled	<del></del>
25	Search and seizure warrants. According to NRS	<del></del>
26	179,095, if there are no search and seizure warrants,	<u> </u>
27	affidavits, Search and Seizure returns, or any	<del></del>
28	Other papers in connection, filed by the issuing	
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1	Judge, then there is no authority to
2	search and seize property. In addition,
.3	any evidence seized would be unlawfully
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6	the search and seizure warrants are on file in
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	resolved the issue by providing copies with their
	Opposition Filed September 25, 2015, as an exhibit,
	but did not do so. The "State" claims they provided
	the Defendant with copies on September 09,2015
	during a discovery hearing. The Defendant was
13	not able to validate the paperwork at the
14	discovery hearing, and still questions the issue,
	because in the States" Opposition, filed on
16	September 25, 2015, they mistakenly include
	facts in their Opposition that are not stated
	in the affidavit of exhibit A provided to the
19	Defendant by the "State" (Exhibits A, G, H).
20	Finally, upon examination of the documents that
2-1	the "State" provided to the Defendant on
22	September 09, 2015, as search and seizure warrants
	(Exhibits A and B), it appears to be issued by
	Judge Suzan Baucums Justice Court, and it
	truly filed with the Justice Court, would be
26	under event/DR# 1311-05723 sw2013 1957 and
27	SW2013 1958. Though the Defendant still
28	questions whether or not, the (2) two search
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1	and seizure warrants are on file with	
	Judge Suzan Baucum's Justice Court, let's	<del>-,·-,,</del>
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4	documents are filed, only because they have	·
5	a signed certified stamped seal on them	
6	(Exhibits A and B). There now appears to	
7	be several problems with the documents,	
8	relating to the United States and Nevada	
9	Constitution, NRS 179,045, and 179,085 (1) a-d,	
10	and when put to the light of scruting, a	
	Clear-cut due process violation of the	
12	Defendants 14th amendment rights.	
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14	IL. LAW AND ANALYSIS	
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16	According to the United States and Nevada	
17_	Constitutions	
	"The right of the people to be secure	
19	in their persons, houses, papers, and	
20	effects against unreasonable seizures	
21	and searches shall not be violated;	
22	and no warrant shall issue but on	
23	probable cause, supported by Oath	
24	or Affirmation, particularly describing	
25	the place or places to be searched, and	
26	the person or persons, and thing or things	
27	to be seizedo"	
28	US const. Amend IV, Nev Const. Art. 1 Sec. 18.	
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1	To uphold the legal protections of the 4th	
2	amendment, the Supreme Court has ruled	
3	that evidence seized during an unlawful search	
. 4	and seizure may not be considered proof against	
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6	Mapp v. Ohio, 367 U.S. 643, 6 L. Fd. 2d. 1081	
7	(1961); Wong Sun V. United States, 371 U.S. 474	
8	484 (1963); Davis V. Mississippi, 394 U.S. 721 22. L.	
	Ed. 2d (076 (1969).	
lo	Also, the exclusionary rule "Prohibits the	
	introduction of tangible materials seized during	· <u>··</u> ····
12	an unlawful search and seizure and any	
13	testimony regarding knowledge acquired during	
14	and unlawful search and seizure." Murray v. United	
<i>l</i> 5	States, 487 U.S. 533,536 (1988). In addition,	<u></u>
16	"The exclusionary rule also prohibits the introduction	
17	of derivative evidence both tangible and	<u> </u>
18	testimonial, that is the primary evidence, or that	
19	is otherwise acquired as an indirect result of	
20	the unlawful Search and Seizure." Id.	***************************************
21	Nevada Statutory Law, NRS 179.085 1., States:	
22	Nevada Statutory Law, NRS 179.085 1., States: "A person aggrieved by an unlawful.	
23	Search and Seizure may move the	
24	Court having Jurisdiction where the	
25	property was seized for the return	
26	of the property and to suppress	
27	for use as evidence anything so	
28	obtained on the ground that?	
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(a) The property was illegally seized	
without warrant;	
(b) The warrant is insufficient on	
its face;	
(C) There was not probable cause	
For believing the existence of the	
grounds on which the warrant	
was issued; or	
(d) The warrant was illegally executed."	
In the instant case, any evidence (Fangible,	
derivative, or testimonial) from the unlawful seizing	
of the Defendant's Apple I phone 4 Serial # 88/23 FJSA4T,	
On November 01, 2013, must be suppressed and excluded,	مقتعت بالراف في وتدير مراو بنافيان
1 HAT EVIDENCE OF A CRIME EXISTED	
ON THE DEFENDANTS APPLE IPHONE 4	
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the Delinguency of a Minor, and Obstructing a	
Public Utilicer.	
According to Det. Schell of the Clark	<del></del>
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	(b) The warrant is insufficient on its face; (C) There was not probable cause For believing the existence of the grounds on which the warrant was issued; or

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. 1	County School District Police Department	
2	(CCSDPD), in his affidavit of exhibit B, he	
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4	relationship began through text messaging,	
5	Sprowson's black iphone [4] bearing Serial #	
6	88123 FJSA4T was booked into CCSDPD evidence"	
7	(Exhibit B, pg. 3 para, 2).	
8	Also, Det, Schell States, "Torres fold us she	
9	Began exchanging text messages with Sprowson	
10	Began exchanging text messages with Sprowson and a relationship started. Torres told us on	
()	August 29, 2013, She was Fed up with living	<del></del>
12	with her mom and text messaged Sprouson	
13	telling him she did not want to stay at	:
14	her mom's house. Sprowson then picked her	
15	up from the house and without the consent	
16	of Torres' parents took Torres to his	
17	apartment" (Exhibit B, pg. 2 para. 6, lines 4-7).	
18	It is important to note, that this is the only	
19	testimony in regards to specific text content,	
20	Torres text, not the Defendants. It is Torres	<del></del>
21	(the alleged victim) that testifies about her	
22	text, on her phone, and this does not	
23	constitute the fruits, instrumentality, or	
24	evidence of a crime. The officer whom seized	
25	the Defendant's Apple Iphone 4, Still needs to.	
26	Connect sufficiently the alleged victim's text, to	
27	the actual activity of picking her up. The placement	<del>4 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1</del> - 1
28	the actual activity of picking her up. The placement of the underlined two sentences above from the	
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1	affidavit, give a false impression of cause	
2	and effect, which is dispelled upon	<del></del>
3	further examination of other testimony	
4	by the alleged victim.	1
5	A fatal flaw arises in Det. Schells	
6	theory when considering the festimony of	
7	the alleged victim, as stated to Michelle	
8	Fischer of Child Haven. On November 01,2013,	
9	the alleged victim was taken from the	
10	Defendant's hame and brought to Child Haven,	
	by Otc. Abbott, whom was present, when the	
12	alleged victim was interviewed by	·
13	Michelle Fischer The interview took	
14	place prior to the Defendant's arrest and	
15	Subsequent Seizing of his Apple Iphone 4.	<u></u>
16	In the interview, the alleged victim	
17	In the interview, the alleged victim States, "It was more I made him take	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
[8]	me . o or I'm going to Kill myself Kind	^
19	of thing (Exhibit I, pg. 1 lines 21-25, pg. 2	 
20	lines 1-6). Notice, there is no criminal intent	·····
21.	by the Defendant in his responding action,	<del>4</del>
22	but a law tul concern for the well-being	••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
23	of someone for whom he cares. If the	······································
24	alleged victim never threatened the previous,	·
25_	It is highly unlikely that the Defendant would	
26	have picked her up at all. The text which states,	······································
27	The alleged victim did not want to stay at hone	<del></del>
28	or her mom's house, is not criminal either, and is	
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1	doubtful, why the Defendant did what he did,	
2	in light of the alleged victim's testimony to	
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4	Next, a relationship beginning through text	
5	messaging is not sufficient enough to	
6	establish probable cause of criminal activity	
7	on the Defendant's Apple Iphone 4. In Order	
8	to determine probable cause that the items	
, 9	constitute the fruit, instrumentality, or	<del></del>
10	evidence of a crime, it is necessary that	·
. (1	there be established a sufficient nexus	
(2	between (1) criminal activity, (2) the things	
/3	to be seized, and (3) the place to be	
14	Searched. U.S. Const. Amend IV, Nev. Const.	
15_	Art. 1 sec. 18.	
16	In other words, testimony or phone/text	
17		
18	that is indicative or supportive of cominal	
19	activity, and the specific text content is	<del></del>
20	even on the Apple Iphane 4 in question. The	
21	Officer failed to meet this most basic criteria,	
22	When Seizing the Defendant's Apple Iphone 4	
23	Unlawfully. Illustrative of this, is Kellen v. State,	
24	Where the affidavit said a truckland of lumber	<u> </u>
.25	had been unloaded at the Defendant's residence	
26	at night. This made it probable, that the lumber	<b></b>
27	would be found there, but the Court properly held	<del></del>
28	that the warrant was invalid, because the	
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1	affidavit failed to connect the lumber	
2	with any criminal offense. Kellen v. State,	
3	`	
4	The officer in order to obtain sufficient	<b>-</b>
5	probable cause, in the instant case, that is,	•
6	that the text of the Defendant's Apple Iphone4	<del></del>
7	constitutes, the fruit, instrumentality, or	i
8	evidence of a crime, should have obtained a	
9	Subpoena Duces Tecum, to get the Defendant's	
10	Iphone 4 text records. This due process was	· 
11	both practical and in no way threatened the	·
12_	damaging of potential evidence, if any at	
13	all, of the Defendant's Apple I phone 4. The	<u></u>
14	Defendant was incarcerated after his arrest,	l <u></u>
15	and the Apple Iphone 4, could have been placed	
16	in his property, until probable cause of	
17	actual criminal evidence was obtained,	
18	if any, via the Subpoena of the Apple	
19	Iphone 4 fext records, which would have	
20	for probable cause, State V. Allen, 119	
21	For probable cause, State V. Allen, 119	
22	Nev. 169, 69 P. 3d 232 (2003).	
23	Yet Further, in the instant case, any evidence	
24	(tangible, derivative, and testimonial) derived	
25	From the unlawful search, if any, of the	
26	Defendant's Apple Iphone 4 Serial #88/235A4T,	
27	on December 06, 2013 or any date there afer,	
28	must be suppressed and excluded from evidence	
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	against the Defendant.	
2	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	
3	2. ON DECEMBER 06, 2013 A	
4	SEARCH WARRANT WAS ISSUED	
5	TO SEARCH THE DEFENDANT'S	
<u> </u>	APPLE TPHONE 4 SERIAL # 88/23JSA4T	
7	WITHOUT SUFFICIENT	
8	PROBABLE CAUSE THAT EVIDENCE	
9	OF A CRIME EXISTED	
10		
1/	On December 06,2013 a search and	
12	Seizure warrant was issued to search	
13	the Defendant's Apple Iphone 4, Seeking evidence for the following Charges:	
14	evidence for the following charges:	
15.	1 1st Dearge Kidnapoing, Child Abuse and Neglect,	
. 16	and Contributing to the Delinguency of a	<del></del> -i
17	Minor. Note, that there is no charge of	
18	and Contributing to the Delinguency of a Minor. Note, that there is no charge of Unlawful use of a Minor in the Production	
19	of Pornography, listed in the scope of the	
20	Charges.	
21		
22	Forth earlier in reference to the unlawful	
23	Stizing of the Defendant's Apple Iphone 4,	
24	applies to searching the Defendants	<u> </u>
25	Same Iphone 4. The search and Seizure	
26	warrant lacks sufficient probable cause	
27	that there constitutes, the fruits, instrumentality	
28	or evidence of a crime, speci-fically the	
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1	charges mentioned above on the Defendant's	
2	Apple I phone 4. The affidavit is invalid and	
3	the fruit of an unlawful seizure. Not	
4	to mention, any supposed authority to	
5	to mention, any supposed authority to Search the Defendant's Apple I phone 4,	
6	would be difficult and not possible	
7	without the aid of Apple Inc.	•
8	The Apple I phone 4's password	****
9	protection and software encryption are	····
10	accessible only by Apple Inc. engineers	
	accessible only by Apple Inc. engineers and forensics experts. Only Apple Inc.	
12	can bypass the passcode and do an	
<u>13</u>	intrinsic examination of the SSD harddrive	
14	Content. The Federal government has	<del></del>
15	complained continuously about this aspect	<del></del>
16	of Apple Inc.'s privacy protection	
17	policy. Therefore, any claims by the	
18	Clark County School District Police Department,	
19	that they obtained any evidence from a	
20	Search of the Defendant's Apple Iphone 4,	
21	would be unsubstantiated without an	
22	Official certified forensics report	····
23	attached to the search and seizure return,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
24	and filed with the Court, Specifically done	····
	by Apple Inc.'s forensics department.	
26	In addition, during the preliminary hearing	<del></del>
2.7	testimony, Det. Schell of the Clark County	
28	School District Police Department, gave	
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1	conflicting testimony about the "chain	
2	of custody" of the Defendant's Apple	
3	I phone 4. Det. Schell, when first questioned	
4	by the "State", in regards to how the	·
5	Defendant's I phone 4 not from the evidence	
6	Defendant's I phone 4 got from the evidence vault of (CCSDPD) to the alleged forensic's	
7	technician, Troy Cox, States that he	
8	personally gave the Defendant's Iphone 4,	<del></del>
9	to Mr. Cox (PHT, 251/15-252/8 Exhibit F	
10	pg.1). Then, when further questioned by	
//	the "State" Det Schell States that he	
12	sent an email to the alleged evidence	
13	technician (name un known), whom then	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
14_	gave the Defendant's Iphone 4 to the	····
15	alleged Forensics technician, Tray cox	
16	CPHT, 252/22 - 253/5, Exhibit F DGS. 1-2).	
17	CPHT, 252/22 - 253/5, Exhibit F pgs. 1-2). Several problems arise as a result of the	·
18	previous conflicting testimony of Det.	<del> </del>
19	Schell. First, neither the unknown evidence	
20	technician nor the alleged for ensics	<del></del>
21	technician, Tray cox, testified to the	
22	truth of the matter or were available	
23	for cross-examining by the Defense. Therefore,	<del></del>
24	any testimony about what happened in relation	حبين المادة والمساوحة
25_	to the Defendant's I phone 4 is inadmissable	<u> </u>
26	as evidence by Det. Schell. Second, if	
27	Det. Schell had given the Defendant's	<del></del>
28	Det. Schell had given the Defendant's Iphone 4 to the alleged forensic's technician,	
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l	Troy Cox, this leaves open the possibility
2	that the Defendant's Iphone 4 may have
3	been tampered with, and Det Schell could
4	have placed the photos he testified about,
5	on the Defendant's I phone 4. This raises
6	Serious issues with his testimony, and also
7	makes it inadmissable as evidence, not to
8	mention, hearsay at best. Third, does
9	Clark County school District Police Department
10	even have a forensics facility?
11	The main issue for the "State" now,
12	is that there is no foundation laid for the
13	"Chain of custody", for the Defendant's
14	I phone 4 and any testimony given by
15	CCSDPD's Det. Schell is highly suspect,
16	and leaves no credible testimony as to The
17	Content of the Defendants I phone 4.
18	Also, the Defendant has made a sworn
19	affidavit in regards to the content of
20	the Apple Iphone 4 (Exhibit J). Since, the
21	Defendant has offered the only credible
22	testimony about the specific content of
23	the Iphone 4, the issue as to sufficient
24_	probable cause that any evidence exists
25	of any crime on the Defendant's Apple
26	I I phone 4 is now moot.
27	undoubtedly, the "State" will Claim that the alleged victim testified about alleged
28	the alleged victim testified about alleged
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l	nudel semi-nude photos of the alleged victim	
	that were allegedly on the Defendant's Apple	
3	Iphone 4. But, if the direct-examination	**
4	during the preliminary hearing testimony	<del></del>
5	is looked into, the alleged victim, J.T.,	
<u>6</u>	mentions a computer, but totally avoids	
7	acknowledging anything about the Defendants	<del>*</del> .
8	Iphone 4 (Exhibit E, PHT, 150/15-19), I+	
9	is important to keep in mind, the actual	
10	Criminal Charges (scope) of the affidavit and	
11	that nothing is stated about nude/semi-nude	
12	photos or the charge of the Unlawful use of a	
<u>13</u>	Minor in the Production of Pornography (Exhibit B)	
14	Next, in the instant case, any evidence	
15	(tangible, derivative, or testimonial) derived	<b></b>
16	From the unlawful seizing of the Defendant's	
	HP Pavilion Laptop computer serial # CNF00484JT	
	and IBM/584 Desktop computer serial # KCLV82D,	
19	on December 06, 2013, must be suppressed	
20	and excluded from evidence against the	
2(	Defendant.	
22	3. ON DECEMBER 06, 2013, THE DEFENDANT'S	
23	COMPUTERS WERE UNLAWFULLY SEIZED	
24	WITHOUT SUFFICIENT PROBABLE CAUSE	
25	THAT EVIDENCE OF A CRIME EXISTED	
26	ON THE DEFENDANT'S COMPUTERS OR	
27	THAT THE COMPUTERS WERE THE	
28	INSTRUMENT THEREOE.	<del> </del>
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L	On December of 700 a good and	
2	On December 06, 2013, a search and seizure	
	warrant was issued, seeking evidence of	
<del></del>	the following Charge: 1st Degree Kidnapping (NRS 200.310, 200.320). The search and seizure	<del></del>
5	(NRS 200,310, 200,320). The Search and Setzure	
5	warrant did not include a charge of Unlawful	
	Use of a Minor in the Production of Pornography	<del></del>
	(NRS 200,700, 200,710(AXB), 200.750) or any other	
8_	Charges in its scope of charges.	
9	According to Det. Schell of the clark county	
10	School District Police Department, in his	
	affidavit (Exhibit A, pg. 2), that the	
12	following property constitutes evidence	
13	which tends to demonstrate the	
14	Criminal Offense of 1st Degree	
15	Kidnapping (NRS 200.310) &	
16	1. Any and all computers or devices	
(7	capable of accessing the internet	
18	or Sending and receiving messages	
19	or down loading and Storing data."	
20	The first problem with the Scenario	
21	as described above, is that computers or	
22	devices in and of themselves can not constitute	
23	evidence of 1st Degree Kidnapping in any	
24	way, unless specific content has been	
25	way, unless specific content has been Saved to the harddrive (permanent memory).	
26	It is a well known fact that documents,	
27	pictures, and anything else has to be	
28	physically Saved and this does not happen	
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l	automatically, without special software	•
2	programmed to do this.	
3	Also, anything accessed by the computer	
4	through the internet is not permanently	
5	on the computer or tracible, it is in	
6	temporary memory called RAM memory,	
7	and disappears once you leave the internet	
8	or power down, and does not leave a history	<del>~~~~~</del>
9	on your computer. In order to save anything,	
10	such as pictures, emails, or documents,	<b></b>
11	accessed on the internet, you physically	
12	have to copy and save them to the	
13	harddrive Cpermanent, tracible memory). When	
14	you access the internet, your internet	
. 15	Service provider Keeps a record of	
16	the websites and webpages you have	
17	accessed not the computer. Your email	
18	Service provider Keeps your emails on a	
19	database, that you access, nothing you	
20	access on the internet is stored on	
21	the computer, unless you copy and save	
22	It to the harddrive (permanent memory).	
23	The Second problem with the above scenario,	
24	In order to seize the computers or devices	<u></u> -
25	you meed sufficient probable cause that the	·
26	computers or devices constitute, the fruit,	
27	instrumentality, or evidence of a crime, and	
28_	1+ 15 necessary that there be established a	
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1	sufficient nexus between (1) criminal activity,	
2	2) the things to be seized, and (3) the place	
3	to be searched. U.S. const. Amend. IV Nev.	
4	const. Art. 1 sec. 18.	
5	In other words, there would have to be	
6	Specific testimony or records that indicate	:
7	or support that the computers or devices were	
8	the instrument of the crime of 1st Degree	
9	Kidnapping, and then you would need to	
10	have testimony or records that indicate	
[[	or support that the actual specific content	
12	was even saved on the harddrive (permanent memory)	·
13	of the computer or devices in question. Kellen	
14	V. State, 49 Ala. App. 475, 273 So. 2d 235 (1972).	<b></b> .
15	The main problem is that there are computers	10-2-11-2-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-
16	at a person's work, the library, Cafes, and	
<i>ι</i> 7	at a person's work, the library, Cafes, and hotels. How does one determine, without	
18	internet service provider records, or direct	<del></del>
. 19	eye witness testimony, that a specific	
20	computer or device is the instrument of a	<del></del>
21	computer or device is the instrument of a crime or that it actually has evidence stored	·
22	on its harddrive? The biggest question is,	<del> </del>
23	how does a computer or device as described	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
24	above by the affidavit, tend to demonstrate	······································
25	the Criminal offense of 1st Degree Kidnapping,	
26	especially since it was unknown at the time	<del></del>
27	of the affidavit, whother the Defendant even	
28	had internet access at home?	
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l	In the affidavit of Det. Schell (Exhibit A),	
2	the only probable cause indicated or offered	
3	as support, is that the Defendant and alleged	
4	victim communicated lawfully. This is	
5	important, because communication in and of	
6	itself is not unlawful or a legitimate	
7		
8	is indicative or supportive of evidence	·
9	For 1st Degree Kidnapping, but is a fundamental	
10	for 1st Degree Kidnapping, but is a fundamental 1st amendment constitutional right to	
	freedom of speech. This communication was	<u> </u>
12	through email and craigslist.com, which	· <u>··</u> ······
13		
14	the internet/Email service provider, not	·
16	saved to the harddrive as discussed	
17	earlier.	
18	Once again, as with the Defendants	
19	Apple I phone 4, the officer could have	·
20	obtained a Subpoena Duces Tecum, to obtain the Defendant's email or internet	
21	obtain the Defendant's email or internet	····
22	Service provider records, if any to gain	<del> </del>
23	Sufficient probable cause, it any, that	
24	the computers or devices were the	<del></del> ,
25	instrument of the crime of 1st Degree	······································
26	Kidnapping. The Defendant was arrested	
27	On November of, 2013, and the Search and	<del></del>
28	Serzure warrant was executed on	
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ŧ	December 06,2013, 35 days is more than	
2	enough time to get a subpoena,	
3	which is a minimum of what due	
4	process requires in the instant case.	
5	The Defendant was in custody at clark	
7	was both practical and in no way, put	
8	potential evidence in danger of being	
9	destroyed. It is now March 2016, as of	
lo	the writing of this Motion, and there is	
11	Still no evidence that the Defendant's	
12	computers or devices were the fruit,	
13	instrumentality, or stored evidence of the	
14	crime of 1st Degree Kidnapping, though the	
15	"State" has unlaw fully searched and	
16	Seized the Defendant's compaters	••••
17	mentioned previously.	
18	No doubt the "State" will claim	
19	that the officers had sufficient	
20	probable cause based upon nude/Semi-	
2(_	nude photos of the alleged victim,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
22	probable cause based upon nude/semi- nude photos of the alleged victim, but the photos themselves would be beyond	······································
23	the scope of the affidavit (Exhibit A)	
24	and will be discussed more in detail,	<u> </u>
25	hereafter.	
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l	4. THE STATES CLAIM THAT PROBABLE	
2	CAUSE EXISTED IN THE FORM	
3	OF ALLEGED SEMI-NUDE/NUDE	<u>,</u>
4	PHOTOS OF THE ALLEGED	
5	VICTIM ON THE DEFENDANT'S	
6	COMPUTER AT THE TIME OF	
7	THE EXECUTION OF THE DECEMBER	·
8	06,2013 SEARCH AND SEIZURE	
9	WARRANT IS AN ATTEMPT TO	
10	REHABILITATE" THE AFFIDAVIT	
C1	OF EXHIBIT A".	
12		
13	On December 06, 2013 the Defendant's home	
(4_	at 4915 Russell Road # 143, Las Vegas, Nevada was	
15	Searched and property was unlawfully seized,	
16	namely two (2) computers, (1) HP Pavilion Laptop,	
	Serial # CNF004B4JT, and (1) IBM/58u Desktop	
18	Computer, Serial # KCLV820. As discussed	
	earlier, the computers were seized unlawfully	
20	without sufficient probable cause that	
21	Cannected the lawful [st comendment protected]	
.22	communication between the alleged Victim and Defendant, through email and Craigslist.com	
23	and Defendant, through email and Craigslist com	
24	to the serzed computers, but further, failed	
25	Ho compect the computers to the charge of	
26	1st Degree Kidnapping (NRS 200,310,200.320),	
27	1st Degree Kidnapping (NRS 200.310, 200.320), Which is the entire scope of the affidavit (Exhibit A). Probable cause is the cornerstone	
28	(ExhibitA). Probable cause is the cornerstone	
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1	requirement of a search and seizure warrant.	
2	State V. Allen, 119 Nev. 169 69 P. 3d 237 (2003).	
3	Without hesitation the "State" will claim	
4	they had probable cause in the form of	
5	testimony about alleged semi-nude/nude	
6	Photos on the Defendant's computer, which.	
7	one is unknown, at the time of the execution	
8	of the search and seizure warrant on	
9	December 06,2013. But, if we put this	
10		
11	discrepancies rise to the surface.	
12	After the search and seizure warrant was	
13	executed on December 00, 2013, the computers	
14	and other seized property, was inventoried	 
15	and the warrant completed at 14:20(2:20pm) on	
16	December 06,2013 (Exhibit C page 1, Date and time	ļ !
17		 
18	the same officer whom wrote the affidavits	
19	of Exhibits A and B, executed the Search	! 
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21	the property seized. Then, one hour after,	
22	at 15:25 (3:25pm) on December 06,2013,	ļ
23	Det. Schell also witnesses a signed statement	
24	by the alleged victim's mother, Kathryn Smith,	
25	about alleged nude photos on the Defendant's	
26	already seized computer (Exhibit D). A red	
27	flag should be coming to mind, why have	
28	the mother write a statement one hour	
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after the computers had already been seized unlawfully, and in reference to alleged nude photos of the alleged victim? (Exhibit) The problem with the "States" claim is evident, not only are the alleged nude photos beyond the scope of the affidavit, but are not included at all (Exhibit A). Also, the alleged victim's mother's statement, never went before a magistrate, nor could have, because the search and seizure warrant had already been executed (Exhibit C). It is Very apparent from the facts, that Det, Schell, Knew he had no sufficient probable cause to seize the Defendants computers, and his actions manifestly disarm any possible claim about acting in "Good faith", when seizing the Defendants computers. He Knew his actions were unlaw ful, which is the touchstone to determine good faith police activity. The most likely Scenario, that fits the facts, is that Det. schell, seized the computers of the Defendant Unlaw fully, went on a fishing expedition; and possibly came across potential probable cause, in the form of photos, which at this point, are the fruit of an Unlawful government Search, as he had 25 of 29

l l	no authority to seize the Defendants
2	HP Pavilion Laptop computer Serial # CNF004BWT,
	Let alone Search it, then had the alleged
4	<u>Victims mother endorse a statement</u>
5	to try to "rehabilitate" the affidavit
6	CEXhibit A and D). After the fact
7	testimony can not rehabilitate an
8	affidavit and is unlawful. Whitely V.
9	Warden, 401 U.S. 560, 91 S. C+ 1031, 28 L. Ed.
lO	2d 306 (1971); State V. Anderson, 286 Ark.
U	58, 688 S.W. 2d 947 (1985); State V. Hendrickson,
12	
	V. Clyburn, 24 F. 3d G13 (4th cir. 1994);
14	
15	Campbell V. Minnesota, 487 F. 2d (C8th cir. 1973).
16	The mother of the alleged victim now
17	having knowledge of the possible semi-nudel
18	I hude photos, by way of Det Schells
19	unlawful search, confronts the alleged
20	1 / 1 CA UMA I MANDA IS MAUL NO MOA A LOCKED IN MAD I
21	awkward position, is forced to
<u> 2</u> 2	awkward position, is forced to  acknowledge the alleged Semi-nude/  nude photos, a ffer learning the  Defendant's computer had been seized  and searched (Exhibit E, PHT, 150/18-19).
23	nude photos, affer learning the
24	Defendants computer had been seized
25	and searched (Exhibit E, PHT, 150/18-19).
26	I THE STATE MEN IN WELL OFFUSITION MOTIONS
27	to the Defenses 1st and 2nd Motion to
28	suppress evidence, claim that they had
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( )	this information about the nude/semi-nude	
2	photos of the alleged victim on or before	
	December 05, 2013, at least one day prior	
4	to the writing of the affidavit of Exhibit	
5	A and B by Det. Schell (Exhibit Gand H).	
6		
	Smith's statement, about the alleged nude/	
8	Semi-nude photos, she explicitly fries	
9	to date the Knowing of the information,	
10	one week prior (Exhibit D). This is a	
(	critical point, because if true, reason	
12	has it, that the information about the	
/3	alleged nude/semi-nude photos would have	
14	been most certainly included in the search	
15	and seizure warrant affidavit of ExhibitA.	
16	Once again, why did the alleged victim's	
17	mother, Kathryn Smith, write and sign	
(8	a Statement one-hour, after, the	
19	execution of the search and seizure	
20	warrant, and unlawful seizing of the	
21	Defendant's computers?	
22	What Stammers the mind about all this	
23	activity, is that one person seems to be at the	
24	center of it all, namely, Det. Schell of the	
25	Clark County School District Police Department.	<u> </u>
26	He arrested the Defendant, unlawfully seized	
27	the Defendant's Iphone 4 and booked it into	
28	evidence, writes an insufficient affidavit	
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{	to search and seize the Defendants home,	
2	and unlawfully seizes the Defendant's	
3	computers, inventories the Defendants	
4	seized property, returns some of the	
5	property to the alleged victim, witnesses	
6	and has the mother of the alleged victin,	
7	Kathryn Smith, Sign a Statement about	,
8	nude/ semi-nude photos of the alleged victim,	
9	allegedly on the Defendants computer, one	
10	hour after the execution of the search	
![	and seizure warrant, and finally testilies	
12	at the preliminary hearing about the	
13	"Chain of custody", that clearly lacks	
14	Lest many by the only two alleged	
(5	technicians whom allegedly found the	
16	alleged nude/semi-nude photos of the	
17	alleged victim on the Defendant's Iphone 4	
18	and computer.	
19	The motive and thent has arisen like the	
20	early morning sun. The "State" gets to unlawfully	
21	charge the Defendant with (4) four counts of	
22	Unlawful Use of a Minor in the Production of	
23	Pornography (URS 200,700, Z00,710(A)(B), and 200,750)	
24	and Def. Schell's unlawful actions are unnoticed.	
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III. Conclusion Based upon the above and foregoing, Mr. Sprowson respectfully requests this Honorable Court to grant the Defendant's Motion to Suppress evidence and to enter an order suppressing all the tangible, derivative, and testimonia (evidence derived from the Unlawful search and seizure of his Apple Iphone 4, HP Pavilion Laptop computer, and IBM/584 Desktop computer, as violations of lis Fourth Amendment constitutional rights, as fruit of the poisonous tree, his protections against uman-ful seizures and searches under Article 1 Section 18, of the Nevada Constitution, and a violation of NRS 179,085(1) a-d. In addition, Mr. Sprauson also respectfully requests this Honorable Court to dismiss the charges 19 of NRS 200,700, 200,710(A)(B), and 200,750 20 with prejudice, because the charges are a 21 direct result of the Unlawfully seized evidence, that must be suppressed and excluded from evidence against the Defendant, Mr. Sprowson, whom is entitled to the requested relief above. Wherefore, Defendant prays for relief against the Plaintiff, as it is based upon law. 27 nowson f. 28 29 of 29

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### APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

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STATE OF NEVADA	)	LAS VEGAS NEVADA
	)	ss: Melvyn Perry Sprowson Jr.
COUNTY OF CLARK	1	DEPUTY

Detective **JEFF SCHELL**, **P# 295**, being first duly sworn, deposes and states that he is the affiant herein, and that he is a Police Officer with the Clark County School District Police Department, currently assigned to the Investigation Bureau, having been employed by the Department for 11 years.

There is probable cause to believe that certain property hereinafter described will be found at the following described premises, to-wit:

Melvyn Sprowson Jr.'s residence located at 4915 Russell Road, Apartment #143, Las Vegas Nevada 89120. Further described as; multifamily apartment complex, light brown color with dark brown and gray trim, commonly known as Mesa Ridge Village. The number 143 is posted next to the door at about eye level. The front door faces in an eastward direction and is accessible from the ground floor.

The property referred to and sought to be seized consists of the following:

- 1. Any and all computers or devices capable of accessing the internet or sending and receiving messages or downloading and storing data.
- 2. Any and all female clothing and or personal hygiene products.
- 3. And articles of personal property which would tend to establish the identity of persons in control of said premises, which items of property would consist in part of and include, but not limited to papers, documents and effects which tend to show possession, dominion and control over said premises, including but not limited to keys, canceled mail envelopes, rental agreements and receipts, utility and telephone bills, prescription bottles, vehicle registration, vehicle repairs and gas receipts. Items which tend to show evidence of motive and/or the identity of the perpetrator such as photographs and undeveloped film, insurance policies and letters, address and telephone records, diaries, governmental notices, whether such items are written, typed or stored on computer disc. Objects which bear a person's name, phone number or address.

"Exhibit AQ)"

 The property hereinbefore described constitutes evidence which tends to demonstrate that the criminal offense of 200.310 - 1st Degree Kidnap has been committed.

In support of your affiant's assertion to constitute the existence of probable cause, the following facts are offered:

During the month of October 2013, Officer Gary Abbott # 199 was contacted by Kathryn Smith, mother of 16 year old Jaysenia D. Torres. Smith requested help from Officer Abbott because Torres had run away from home. She informed Officer Abbott she had filed a runaway report with the Henderson Police Department (HPD) on August 30, 2013 HPD event # 13-13994.

Officer Abbott contacted HPD who informed Abbott that Torres was communicating with an individual named Melvyn Perry Sprowson Jr. based on emails and Craigslist.com information Smith (Torres' mother) provided HPD.

Officer Abbott conducted a records check of Sprowson and learned Sprowson was a kindergarten teacher at Wengert Elementary School, Las Vegas, Nevada. Officer Abbott and Det. Platt met with Sprowson at Wengert Elementary on October 31, 2013. Sprowson agreed to speak them and during their conversation Sprowson admitted to knowing 16 year old Torres via text messages, craiglist.com and phone calls. Sprowson stated he never met Torres in person and only had a messaging relationship. Sprowson stated he chats with several people at one time and the messages sometimes runs together. Sprowson also advised that he has no knowledge of Torres whereabouts, but did admit to wiring Torres \$150.00 one time in the past.

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Sgt. Maciszak and I went to Sprowson's residence and met with Torres. We conducted an audio recorded interview with Torres where she told us she ran away from home because she did not like her mom's attitude. Torres told us she began looking for roommates on Craigslist.com and came across an advertisement posted by Sprowson. Torres told us she began exchanging text messages with Sprowson and a relationship started. Torres told us on August 28, 2013, she was fed up with living with her mom and text messaged Sprowson telling him she did not want to stay at her mom's house. Sprowson then picked her up from her house and without the consent of Torres' parents took Torres to his apartment. Torres stated she had been living with Sprowson ever since. Torres said she was not attending school because she knew if she went to school she would be taken back home because she was listed as a runaway. Torres stated she and Sprowson had talked about her going back to school when she was 18 years of age. Torres stated they also discussed the idea of her becoming emancipated. Torres further stated that their relationship had developed into a dating relationship and they both told each other "I love you." Torres also told us they both shared a bedroom and slept in

Exhibit A (3) "

the same bed. Torres also told us she and Sprowson were the only people living in the apartment.

Det. Matt Caldwell # 368 and Det. David Platt # 217 went to Wengert Elementary School to see if Sprowson showed up for work. The school principal, Ms. Mustafa, advised Sprowson was at work. Det. Platt asked to have Sprowson brought to the front office so he could speak with him. Det. Platt told me Sprowson was very evasive stating that he was not going to answer any questions and he had already answered them the day before. Sprowson did advise he had never had contact with Torres' family or friends. The interview was audio recorded.

On December 5, 2013, I went back to the Mesa Ridge Village apartments located at 4915 Russell Road and spoke with an employee in the rental office. The employee told me that Sprowson was still a resident and his rent was current. The employee also told me they went into Sprowson's apartment to remove trash to prevent damage to the property and obnoxious odors.

Sprowson was arrested for Kidnapping, Contributing to the delinquency of a minor, Child abuse and Obstructing. Sprowson was transported to the Clark County Detention Center by Det. Platt where he was booked accordingly. Due to the fact Torres told us their relationship began through text messaging Sprowson's black iPhone bearing serial # 88123FJSA4T was booked into CCSDPD evidence.

WHEREFORE, Affiant requests that a Search Warrant be issued directing a search for and seizure of the aforementioned items at the location set forth herein.

AFFIANT JEFF SCHELL

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 6th day of December , 2013.

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Reviewed by

Deputy District Attorney

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The document to which this certificate is attached is a full, true and correct copy of the original on file and of record in Justice Court of Las Vegas Township, in and for the County

By: Of Clark, State of Nevaua

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#### SEARCH WARRANT NRS 179.045

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STATE OF NEVADA	)	BY LAS VEGAS NEVADA
	) SS. Melvyn Perry Sprowson Jr.	DEFUTY
COUNTY OF CLARK	)	

The State of Nevada, to any Peace Officer in the County of Clark. Proof having been made before me by Det. Jeff Schell, P#295, by Affidavit, incorporated by reference, that there is probable cause to believe that certain evidence, to wit:

- 1. Any and all computers or devices capable of accessing the internet or sending and receiving messages or downloading and storing data.
- 2. And articles of personal property which would tend to establish the identity of persons in control of said premises, which items of property would consist in part of and include, but not limited to papers, documents and effects which tend to show possession, dominion and control over said premises, including but not limited to keys, canceled mail envelopes, rental agreements and receipts, utility and telephone bills, prescription bottles, vehicle registration, vehicle repairs and gas receipts. Items which tend to show evidence of motive and/or the identity of the perpetrator such as photographs and undeveloped film, insurance policies and letters, address and telephone records, diaries, governmental notices, whether such items are written, typed or stored on computer disc. Objects which bear a person's name, phone number or address.
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is presently located at: (1)

Melvyn Sprowson Jr.'s residence located at 4915 Russell Road, Apartment #143, Las Vegas Nevada 89120.

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As I am satisfied that there is probable cause to believe that said evidence is located as set forth above and based upon the Affidavit of Det. Jeff Schell # 295 there are sufficient grounds for the issuance of this Search Warrant. You are hereby commanded to search said premises for said property, serving this warrant (between the hours of 7:00am and 7:00 pm) and if the property is there to seize it and leave a written inventory and make a return before me within 10 days.

Endorsed this 4th day of December , 20 13

**JUDGE** 

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# Exhibit A(6)

# CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT SEARCH & SEIZURE RETURN

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#### APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

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STATE OF NEVADA ) SPROWSON, Melvyn Perry Jr. SS: COUNTY OF CLARK )

Detective Jeff Schell, being first duly sworn deposes and stated that he is the affiant herein and is a Detective with the Clark County School District Police Department (herein after referred to as CCSDPD). Your affiant has been in law enforcement for 11 years and is currently assigned to Investigation. Probable cause exists to believe that the items listed below will be found at the following premises, to-wit:

Digital Storage Devices, impounded under Clark County School District Police Department DR# 1311-05723, currently located in the CCSDPD Evidence Vault, 4260 Eucalyptus Las Vegas NV 89121, specifically:

Black in color Apple iPhone cell with serial #88123FJSA4T.

The property referred to and sought to be seized consists of the following:

- 1. Digitally stored records, information and data, which may constitute evidence of 200.310 1st Degree Kidnap, 200.508 - Child Endangerment and 201.110 - Contributing to Delinquency of a juvenile, involvement in the planning or commission of the crime(s), between the dates of July 1, 2013 and November 1, 2013.
- 2. Digitally stored records, information and data which would tend to establish the identity of persons who were in sole or joint control of the aforementioned digital storage devices during the period of time between July 1, 2013 and November 1, 2013.

#### Definitions:

Electronic Storage Device - A device which accepts an incoming stream of data and stores that data by using an electronic, optical, magnetic, mechanical, or other mechanism. This includes computers, hard disk drives, cell phones, portable audio devices, thumb drives, magnetic stripe scanners and reencoders, memory cards and any other device meeting the definition. The persistence of that data storage may or may not be dependent on a continuous supply of electricity.

Digital Storage Media - A device or collection of devices upon which data is stored by an electronic storage device. This includes CD's, DVD's, floppy disks and any other device meeting the definition. Persistence of storage may or may not be dependent on a continuous supply of electricity.

Digital Storage Device - A device that meets the definition of an electronic storage device, digital storage media, or a combination of both.

" "Exhibit B(Z)"

#### APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

Digitally Stored Records, Information and Data - Digitally stored records, information and data may be found on a digital storage device in the form of files, operating system metadata, residual fragments of data no longer tracked by the file system, data within Random Access Memory (RAM) or Read Only Memory (ROM), data within a file or area of disk designated as a backing store, or data within a file or area of disk intended to represent a complete or partial snapshot of system memory.

### In support of your affiant's assertion to constitute the existence of probable cause, the following facts are offered:

During the month of October 2013, Officer Gary Abbott # 199 was contacted by Kathryn Smith, mother of 16 year old Jaysenia D. Torres. Smith requested help from Officer Abbott because Torres had run away from home. She informed Officer Abbott she had filed a runaway report with the Henderson Police Department (HPD) on August 30, 2013 HPD event # 13-13994.

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Authority to Duplicate Electronic Media

It is further requested that a forensic technician, sworn or non sworn, be granted authorization to examine; make duplicate images/copies of the digital content of the above mentioned digital storage device(s) and to determine if evidence of the offenses enumerated above are contained therein.

The master copy will be retained in evidence storage for later discovery and trial purposes.

Authority to Detect and Circumvent Passwords, Encryption, and Other Investigational Hindrances

Parties engaged in illegal activity often attempt to hide or restrict access to the digitally stored evidence of their malfeasance through the use of passwords, encryption, or other methods of data obfuscation. They may also utilize hardware security devices to restrict access to the contents of a digital storage device.

It is therefore requested that a forensic technician be granted authorization to identify, circumvent, defeat, or bypass any password, encryption, security device or other mechanism that serves to impede or hinder the execution of this warrant.

Request for Off-Site Search Authorization

For the following reasons, the execution of this warrant may take a great deal of time and require a secure facility, special equipment, and software:

- a) It is unknown what operating system is running the computer(s) that is subject of this warrant and, therefore, it will take time to determine how the operating system permits access to data.
- b) The amount of data that may be stored in the hard drives and removable storage devices is enormous, and the number or size of the hard drives and removable storage devices that will have to be searched pursuant to this warrant is not known.
- c) The data to be seized may be located anywhere on the hard drives and removable storage devices, including hidden files, program files, and "deleted" files that have not been overwritten.

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#### APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

- d) The data may be encrypted, or inaccessible without a password, and may be protected by self-destruct programming, all of which take time to bypass.
- e) Because data stored on a computer can be destroyed or altered rather easily, either intentionally or accidentally, the search must be conducted carefully and in a secure environment.
- f) To prevent alteration of data and insure the integrity of the search, clones (master copies) of all data storage devices will be made. The clones (master copies) will then be searched and this process will take time and special equipment.

For this reason, your affiant prays for the authorization to seize and examine the aforementioned items.

The property hereinbefore described constitutes evidence which tends to demonstrate that the criminal offense(s) of 200.310 - 1st Degree Kidnap, 200.508 - Child Endangerment and 201.110 - Contributing to Delinquency of a juvenile have been committed.

WHEREFORE, Affiant requests that a Search Warrant be issued directing a search for and seizure of the aforementioned items at the location set forth herein.

Detective Jeff Schell # 295

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

day of

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Judge

Reviewed by:

Deputy District Attorney

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#### SEARCH WARRANT NRS 179.045

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STATE OF NEVADA

) SS: Sprowson, Melvyn Perry Jr.

COUNTY OF CLARK

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The State of Nevada, to any Peace Officer in the County of Clark. Proof having been made before me by Det. Jeff Schell. P#295, by Affidavit, incorporated by reference, that there is probable cause to believe that certain evidence, to wit:

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Digitally stored records, information and data which would tend to establish the identity of persons who were in sole or joint control of the aforementioned digital storage devices during the period of time between July 1, 2013 and November 1, 2013 and is presently located at:

The Clark County School District Police Department Evidence Vault, located at 4260 Eucalyptus Las Vegas NV 89121

As I am satisfied that there is probable cause to believe that said evidence is located as set forth above and based upon the Affidavit of Det. Jeff Schell # 295 there are sufficient grounds for the issuance of this Search Warrant. You are hereby commanded to search said premises/vehicle for said property, serving this warrant (between the hours of 7:00am and 7:00 pm) and if the property is there to seize it and leave a written inventory and make a return before me within 10 days.

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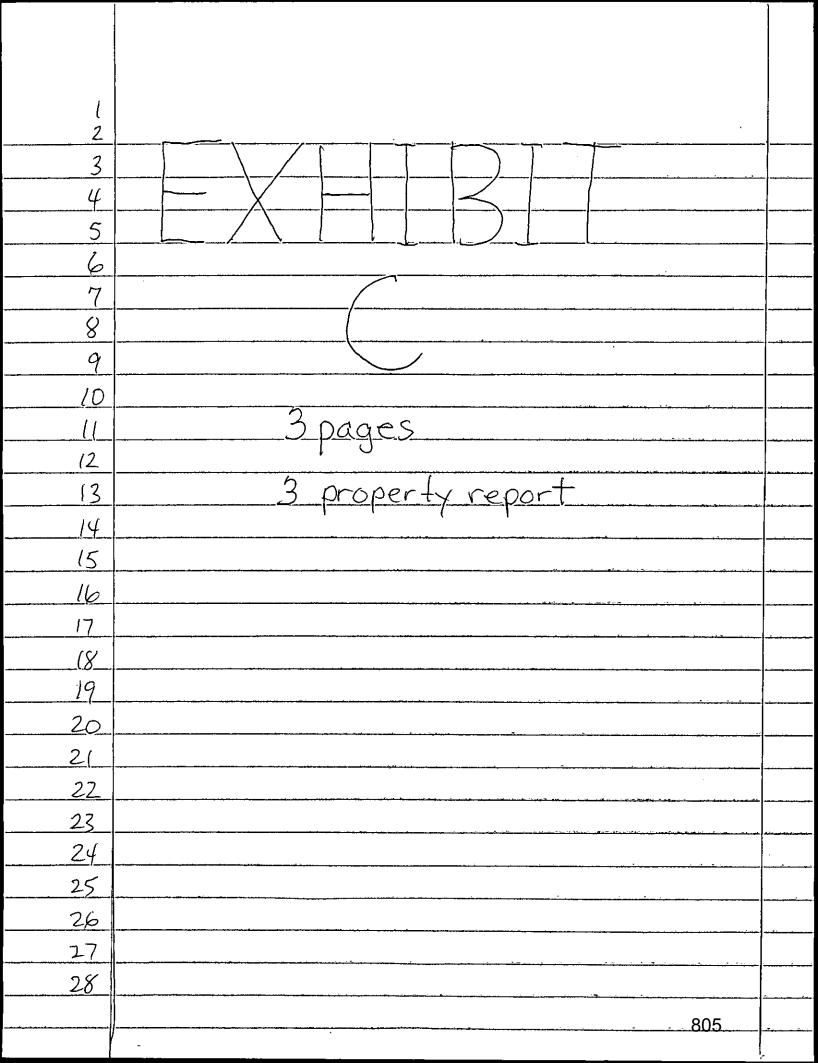
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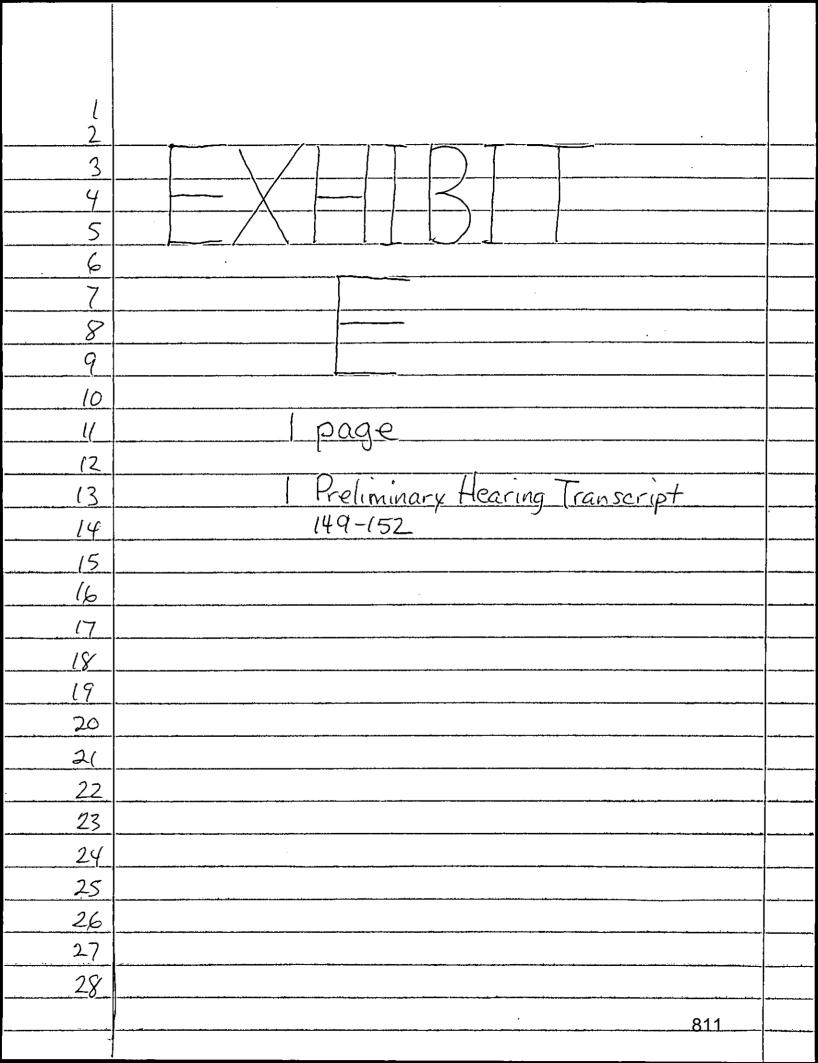
## CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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A. Yes.

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Q. What type of things?

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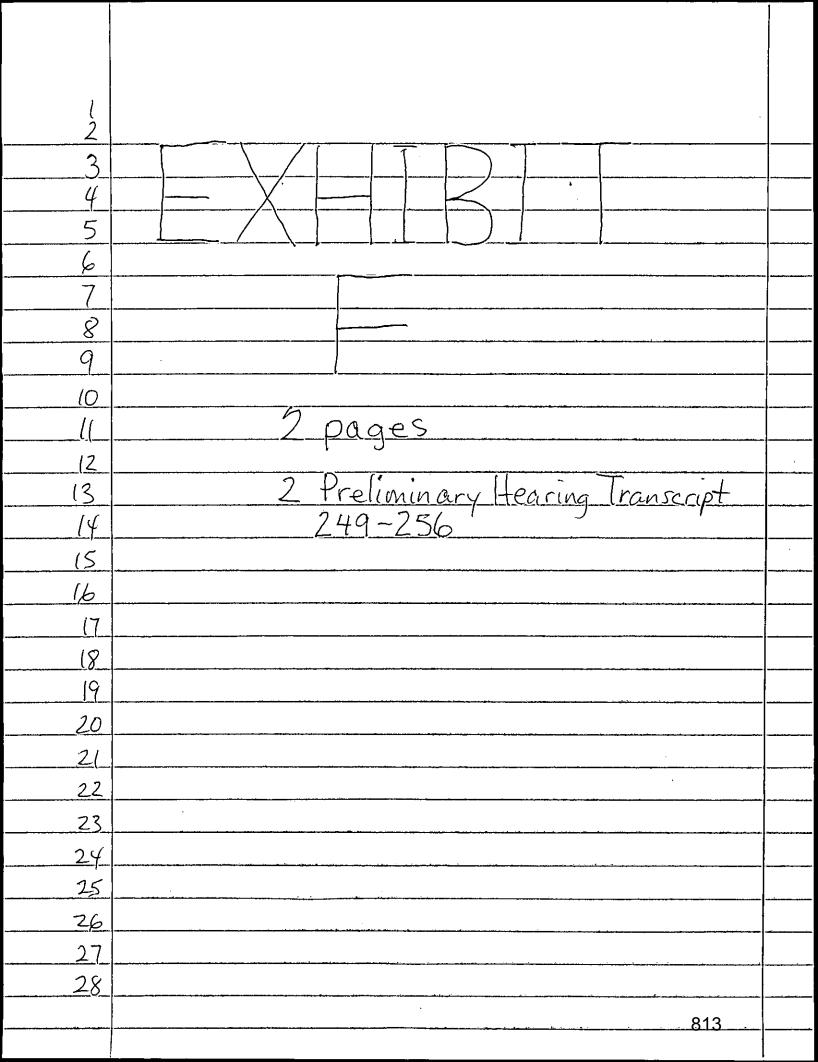
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A. Yeah, and she took the ring.

THE WITNESS: Okay.

MR. MOMOT: I have nothing further.

THE COURT: I have a couple questions.



251 1 A. No. disclosed that she had taken some photographs of herself in various states of undress. And she was concerned 2 Q. But did you, as part of your search warrant, list about those photographs and we wanted to recover those. 3 any and all computer devices? 4 A. Yes, I did. 4 Q. Okay. And did you get a search warrant for not 5 5 only his laptop or the computers, but also the cell Q. And let me know if you need to see a copy of your 6 phone? 6 report, but what items were seized as part of this 7 7 initial search warrant of the home on December 6th? A. Yes, we did. 8 8 Q. And did you receive information that she had A. There was two computers. There was the HP laptop 9 and there was an IBM tower. There was a bunch of female 9 actually sent those via text message? 10 10 personal effects that belonged to Jaysenia. A. I don't recall offhand how they were distributed. 11 11 MR. MOMOT: Objection. That's a conclusion Q. Or let me clarify. Did you have information that 12 12 on his part. Jaysenia and the defendant had been communicating both 13 13 THE COURT: Sustained. via phone and via computer? 14 MS. BLUTH: 14 A. Yes, from our previous interview. **(15**) 15 Q. Did you return those -- were any of those items Q. And in regards to the pictures, you provided --16 returned to Jaysenia or her mother? 16 well, let me back up. So once you get the search 17 17 A. Yes, they were. warrant for the phone and the computer, is there someone 18 Q. Were they identified as Jaysenia's? 18 within your department that is a forensic technician 19 A. Yes. 19 that does those types of things with different items of 20 20 MR. MOMOT: Objection; hearsay. technology? THE COURT: You took items that later were 21 21 A. Yes. 22 22 identified as belonging to Jaysenia and returned to her. Q. And what's that individual's name? 23 THE WITNESS: Yes, I did. 23 A. His name is Troy Cox. 24 24 Q. And did you give Mr. Cox the cell phone and the THE COURT: Mr. Momot? 25 MR. MOMOT: My objection was that it was a 25 computer to do the forensic examination that he needed 250 252 hearsay statement. He seized items and they were 1 to do? 2 2 returned to the mother, but --A. After obtaining the warrant for them, yes, 3 3 THE COURT: Overruled. Go ahead. Q. And did he do those examinations? 4 MR. MOMOT: It's still hearsay. A. He did. 5 MS. BLUTH: Q. And are you then provided with the items that are 6 Q. So besides the computer, did you take into 6 found? 7 7 evidence that letter that we saw pictures of? A. Yes. He makes a - he prints out a report and he 8 8 A. Yes, I did. provides me with the report. 9 Q. Did you take into evidence the missing persons Q. Okay. Now, showing you what's in evidence as 10 flyer? 10 State's 4 through 15, which are all nude photographs of 11 A. We didn't take the missing persons flyers. We 11 Jaysenia Torres. If you would like to thumb through 12 just photographed it. 12 them really quickly. Excuse me, semi nude. Different 13 Q. I interrupted you. Actually Mr. Momot 13 various pictures of undress. 14 interrupted you. Was there anything else within the 14 Do you recognize those? 15 15 home? A. I do. 16 16 A. There was a couple more letters, and I believe Q. And are those photos that were obtained from the 17 there was another utility bill that we took. 17 search warrant on the defendant's cell phone as well as 18 Q. When you say letters, letters to whom from whom? 18 his laptop? 19 A. They were letters that said from J to Mel. 19 A. Yeah or computer. 20 20 Q. At a later point in time did you do what's Q. And you then provided those to my office? 21 sometimes referred to a piggyback warrant for that 21 A. That's correct. 22 computer? (22) Q. Okay. Detective Platt testified before you and 23 A. Yes, we did. 23 testified that he had booked the iPhone -- that the 24 Q. And what was the reason for that? 24 iPhone -- excuse me, the defendant's iPhone had been 25 A. We had learned information that Jaysenia had booked into evidence. Are you the individual that

255 received the phone out of evidence so that it could go 1 Q. For information contained in your affidavit. 1 2 2 A. Without you being more specific, sir, I'm not to Mr. Cox? 3 3 A. I believe the way it happened is we sent an sure. 4 Q. Here. Page 2. It's your affidavit right, sir? 4 e-mail to our evidence technician who then brought it to 5 A. Right. 5 the computer forensics individual, yes. 6 Q. And he then provided you with the information? Q. Okay. So you relied on information from 6 7 7 A. That's correct. Detective Caldwell and Platt, correct? 8 A. That would be correct. 8 Q. And the report? 9 A. That's correct. 9 Q. Okay. Now, nowhere in this affidavit is it 10 Q. Which was then forwarded to my office? 10 mentioned about a smoke alarm being checked out for the 11 apartment, is there? 11 A. That's correct. 12 MS. BLUTH: Nothing further, 12 A. No. there is not. 13 THE COURT: Cross? 13 MR. MOMOT: Okay. No further questions. 14 CROSS-EXAMINATION 14 THE COURT: Anything further? 15 BY MR. MOMOT: 15 MS. BLUTH: Nothing further. 16 16 THE COURT: Okay. Detective Schell, I Q. I reviewed your search warrant, Officer. I see 17 17 that you're -- you didn't find out all the information appreciate your testimony. You're free to leave. 18 You're excused. 18 yourself. This information was provided to you by 19 various officers? 19 THE WITNESS: Thank you, sir. 20 A. Which Information are we talking about? 20 THE COURT: Anything further? 21 Q. The information contained in your affidavit. 21 MS. BLUTH: The State has no further 22 22 A. You know, I don't really understand which witnesses, Your Honor. 23 Information you're talking about. 23 THE COURT: Okay. At this point in time, 24 24 Q. Did you receive information from Sergeant State, are you resting your case? Maciszak and you put that into your affidavit? 25 MS. BLUTH: I am. 25 254 256 1 A. You know, to answer that accurately I would have 1 THE COURT: The State has rested their case. 2 2 to -- you would have to be a little more specific, sir. Mr. Momot? 3 3 Q. I'm looking at your affidavit. Did you do an MR. MOMOT: We're not going to present any 4 affidavit in this case? It's really a simple question. 4 evidence at this time nor is Mr. Sprowson going to 5 Did you do an affidavit in this case? testify on his behalf. 6 A. Yes, I did. 6 THE COURT: Mr. Sprowson, you understand you 7 7 Q. And you based that information on the information have a constitutional right to give testimony at this proceeding today? Have you discussed that with 8 that you received from various officers that you worked 8 9 with? 9 Mr. Momot and your right to testify in this proceeding 10 A. Yes. 10 today? 11 Q. And included in those officers are Sergeant 11 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I have. 12 12 Maciszak: is that correct? THE COURT: Are you going to be waiving that 13 A. That's correct. 13 right or are you going to be invoking that right? 14 Q. And Officer Abbott, correct? 14 THE DEFENDANT: I'm going to waive it. 15 15 A. Correct. THE COURT: So you have no intention of 16 Q. And then you compile this information as the case 16 testifying here today? 17 agent and you submit it to a magistrate for the 17 THE DEFENDANT: No, I do not. 18 magistrate to sign off on to authorize a search warrant, 18 THE COURT: Mr. Sprowson, have you discussed 19 correct? 19 with Mr. Momot any additional information that you would 20 A. That's correct. 20 like him to provide today? 21 21 THE DEFENDANT: No. Q. And you did that on December 6th, 2013, right? 22 A. That's correct. 22 THE COURT: Mr. Momot, you want to talk to 23 Q. And you also relied on Detective Caldwell and 23 him about that? Is there any additional information 24 Detective Platt, correct? 24 that -- do you have any additional information that you

A. Relied on them for what?

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27 28 Additionally the court in Illinois v. Gates, 462 U.S. 213, 103 S.Ct. 2317 (1983), made it clear that a magistrate's decision regarding probable cause should be given great deference.

"We have repeatedly said that after-the-fact scrutiny by courts of the sufficiency of an affidavit should not take the form of de novo review. A magistrate's determination of probable cause should be paid great deference by reviewing courts". Id. at 236.

The rationale of the U.S. Supreme Court has been adopted by the Nevada Supreme Court in numerous cases including Wright v. State, 112 Nev. 391, 396, 916 P.2d 146, 149-150 (1996), in which the Nevada Supreme Court stated:

> This court does not conduct a de novo review but merely decides whether the evidence viewed as a whole provided a substantial basis for the magistrate's finding of probable cause. There is a preference for searches with warrants, and a reviewing court should not adopt a grudging, hyper technical view of warrant applications, but review them in a common sense, realistic manner.

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Based upon the above and foregoing Points and Authorities, Defendant's Motion to Suppress Evidence must be denied.

DATED this <u>17<sup>th</sup></u> day of June, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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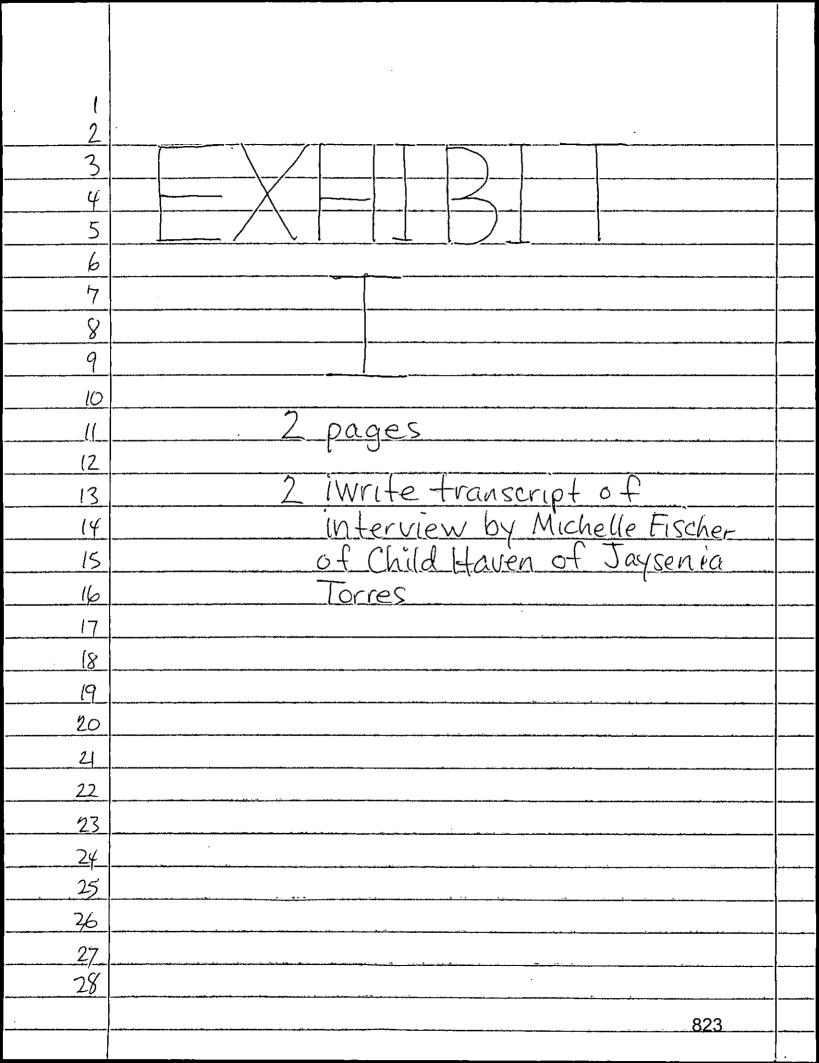
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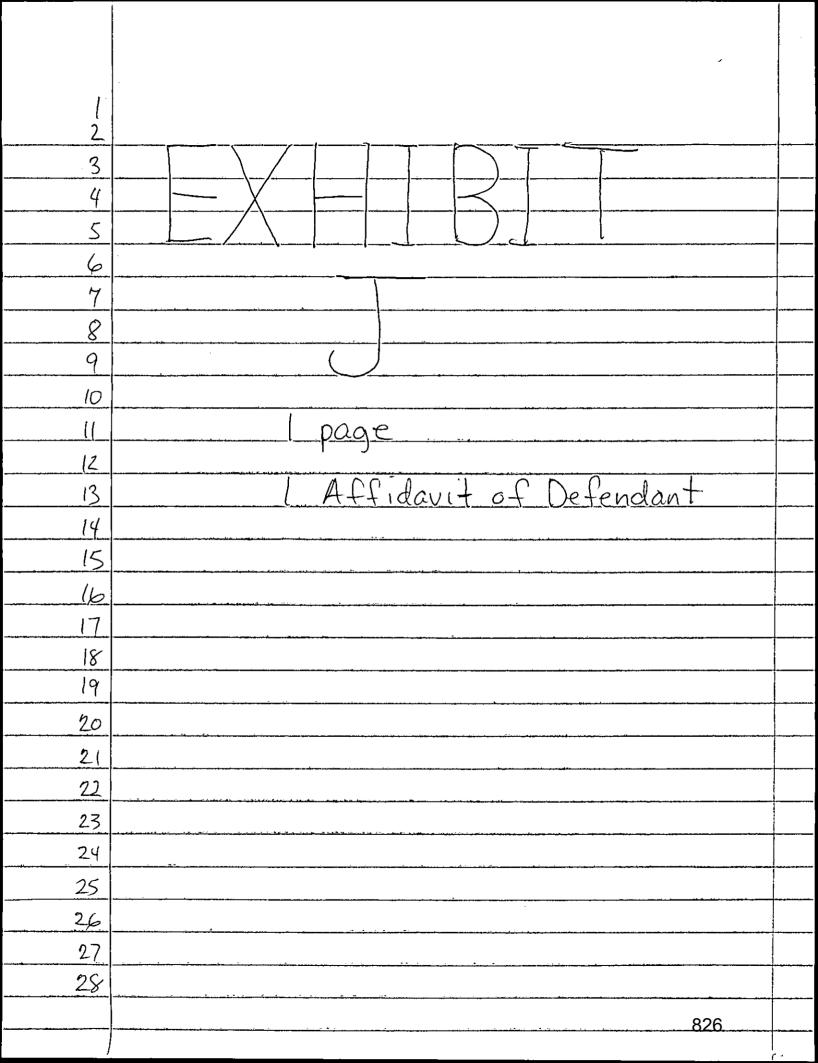
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- 2 Q. Oh. Okay. And so tell me how he takes care of you.
- 3 A. Like -- like -- I don't know. Like just everything. Like if I need
- 4 something.
- 5 Q. Uh-huh.
- 6 A. And he's got -- he -- he'll get it and all that kind of stuff. But he
- 7 cared. Like he wasn't like one of those people that just like they have an
- 8 ultimatum or whatever.
- 9 Q. Uh-huh.
- 10 A. To like go pimp me out or something. Like he was just like a
- 11 really good guy. And it's just -- (incomprehensible) so upset I had to get
- 12 him involved in something like this.
- 13 Q. Okay. So you -- you've been at Melvyn's house now since you
- 14 said August --
- 15 A. August 28<sup>th</sup>.
- 16 Q. -- 28<sup>th</sup>. And you started talking to him online --
- 17 A. In July.
- 18 Q. In July. Okay. And so when you were talking to him in July
- online, did you guys ever talk about anything else besides the
- 20 emancipation?
- 21 A. No. Well, yeah. But we -- it was more about like getting
- 22 emancipated. It wasn't -- we never had like a pre-thing like, oh, you can
- run away this day. No. It was more I just kind of made him take me. Like
- I was kind of like -- didn't like to think about it. I was just like, yeah, I want
- 25 to leave now.
- 26 Q. Okay.



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- 1 A. Or I'm going to like kill myself kind of thing.
- 2 Q. Okay.
- A. And he just was like, you know I just want the best for yourself.
- 4 Q. And so tell me more about how you made him take you.
- 5 A. I was just kind of like please, please, please, please, please.
- 6 And like, you know, all kinds of stuff. Just -- you know.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. I need to get out of here.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. And stuff like that.
- 11 Q. Okay. And so prior to you having him -- how did he -- how did
- 12 you get to Melvyn's house?
- 13 A. He picked me up.
- 14 Q. Okay. So prior to him picking you up, did you ever -- had you
- 15 ever seen Melvyn before?
- 16 A. I don't remember.
- 17 Q. Okay. So other than like you said you chat -- you would talk to
- 18 him online.
- 19 A. Yeah. We video-chatted, you know, talk. We were really good
- 20 friends. Yeah.
- 21 Q. Okay. So when you guys were video-chatting, did he
- ever -- did -- did you guys ever do anything else besides like video chat?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. Like nothing. We never really did anything sexual or anything.
- 26 Q. Okay.



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