

# IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA SITTING IN AND FOR CLEVELAND COUNTY

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA,	)	
Plaintiff,	Í	20
vs.	C	ase No. CF-2017- 430
RALPH ALLAN LEE SHORTEY		
	) ) )	STATE OF OKLAHOMA S.S. CLEVELAND COUNTY S.S. FILED
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	INFORMATION	In the office of the Court Clerk MARILYN WILLIAMS
FOR:		

COUNT 1: ENGAGING IN CHILD PROSTITUTION ~ 21 O.S. § 1029(B), a FELONY

COUNT 2: ENGAGING IN PROSTITUTION W/IN 1000 FT OF CHURCH ~ 21 O.S. § 1031(D), a FELONY

COUNT 3: TRANSPORTING MINOR FOR PROSTITUTION / LEWDNESS ~ 21 O.S. § 1087(A)(3), a

**FELONY** 

## STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF CLEVELAND:

I, Greg Mashburn, the undersigned District Attorney of said County, in the name and by the authority of the State of Oklahoma, give information that in said County of Cleveland and in the State of Oklahoma, RALPH ALLAN LEE SHORTEY did then and there unlawfully, willfully, knowingly and wrongfully commit the crime(s) of:

**COUNT 1: ENGAGING IN CHILD PROSTITUTION** ~ **a FELONY**, on or about the 9th day of March, 2017, by knowingly engaging or soliciting a person under (18) years of age to commit an act of prostitution, by offering (DOB: 99) money in exchange for sexual contact, contrary to the form of the Statutes in such cases made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Oklahoma.

COUNT 2: ENGAGING IN PROSTITUTION W/IN 1000 FT OF CHURCH ~ a FELONY, on or about the 9th day of March, 2017, by knowingly engaging in an act of Prostitution within 1000 feet of First Christian Church, in Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, contrary to the form of the Statutes in such cases made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Oklahoma.

COUNT 3: TRANSPORTING MINOR FOR PROSTITUTION / LEWDNESS ~ a FELONY, on or about the 9th day of March, 2017, by knowingly transporting (DOB: 99), a child under eighteen (18) years of age to a hotel room in Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, for the purpose of engaging in prostitution, contrary to the form of the Statutes in such cases made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Oklahoma.

I have examined the facts in this case and recommend that a warrant do issue.

GREG MASHBURN
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Assistant District Attorney

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#### WITNESSES ENDORSED FOR THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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Law Enforcement Incident Number: 17-08441 Lead Law Enforcement Agency: Moore Police Department CMS Case ID Number: 17-2018

THE DISTRICT COURT EVELAND COUNTY STATE KALHOMA	
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  MUNICIPALITY OF MOORE, OKLAH Plaintiff, VS. SHORTEY, Ralph Allan Lee Defendant	Case # 17-08441

THE UNDERSIGNED UPON OATH DEPOSES AND STATES AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: THAT THE AFFIANT IS EMPLOYED BY THE MOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT. THAT ON OR ABOUT THE 9th DAY OF March, 2017, AT 1520 N. Service Road, Moore, CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, THE UNDERSIGNED FURTHER STATES AS FOLLOWS:

Your affiant has recently learned through conversations, interviews, and reports of the defendant soliciting the prostitution of a minor under the age of 18. On March 9, 2017, Moore Police officers contacted the defendant in hotel room 120 at the Super 8 Hotel located at 1520 N. Service, Moore, Oklahoma. The defendant was present inside the room alone with a 17 year old male juvenile, hereafter referred to as JM. Officers present observed a strong odor of marijuana coming from the room and inside the room at the time of their contact with the defendant. Officers later seized an empty green plastic container with a printed label stating, "Colorado Retail Marijuana." The container smelled of and contained a small amount of marijuana residue. Officers learned of a conversation on a messaging app "Kik" between the defendant and JM. Upon closer examination the conversation was between an online moniker of "Jamie Tilley" with Kik ID of JM advised officers that Jamie Tilley was the defendant and the defendant advised officers he had an online name of "Jamie". The online conversation included JM advising the defendant "I need money for spring break." The defendant replied, "I don't really have any legitimate things I need help with right now. Would you be interested in "sexual" stuff?" JM responded "Yes." The conversation goes on with both discussing logistics and how and where JM and the defendant are going to meet. JM tells the defendant "Hey keep updated cause I want you bad daddy." The defendant responds, "I'm gonna fuck you like a good little boy if you keep calling me daddy." The message included a smiley face emoji after boy. JM makes the statement, "I want your vim all in .my man pussy." JM corrects himself stating, "Cum." The defendant states, "Boy pussy, baby boy." The message included a smiley face emoji after boy. The defendant asks JM "Gotcha, you gonna wanna smoke?" JM responds, "That's up to you." The defendant goes on to ask JM, "Sounds good, can you bring a pipe or something, and a lighter." At approximately 0005 hours, the defendant messages JM and states, "K, I'll be down the street a couple houses in about 10 minutes or so." At approximately 0006 hours, the defendant states, "I35 about to exit 4th." At approximately 0013 hours, the defendant messages JM stating, "I'm here." Shortly after that message a witness observes JM enter a white Jeep Cherokee driven by an unknown male. The witness follows the Cherokee to the Circle K at S.E. 4th and Eastern, then to the Super 8 Hotel where both JM and the unknown adult male enter the hotel to rent a room. The witness then observes JM and the unknown adult male enter room 120 of the Super 8 Hotel. The unknown male was later identified by officers as the defendant and the white Cherokee was registered through the State of Oklahoma to the defendant. Officers found an opened box of condoms in the defendant's back pack and a bottle of lotion in the back pack of JM. JM during an interview advised "Jamie Tilley" was the defendant and Kik user name was the defendant. JM advised he took approximately 1 gram of marijuana to the hotel with him and the defendant brought approximately 1 gram of marijuana with him to the hotel. JM advised they were smoking the marijuana when officers knocked on the door. JM and the defendant both advise they have known each other for approximately one year. JM advised the defendant and him originally met through a Craig's List personal encounter ad. The Super 8 Hotel is approximately 936 feet from the First Christian Church located at 629 N.W. 12th Street, Moore, Oklahoma.

#### LIST CHARGES ARRESTED ON:

1. Soliciting the Prostitution of a Minor - O.S. § 21-1029.b

- 2. Prostitution within 1000 feet of a Church O.S. § 21-1031.D
- 3. Transporting for the Purpose of Prostitution O.S. 21 § 1028.e

ASIGNED SWEARS AND AFFIRMS THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.
AFRIANT'S SIGNATURE  MY COMMISSION EXPIRES  2/12/18  COURT CLERK OR NOT ARY PUBLIC OF OF OF ON THE ABOVE AFFIDAVIT TO JUDGE  BY TELEPHONE THIS DAY OF, AT O'CLOCK, AND RECEIVED VERBAL AUTHORIZATION TO DETAIN THE DEFENDANT.
DEPUTY SHERIFF
FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE TO DETAIN
THE UNDERSIGNED JUDGE OF THIS COURT, UPON AFFIDAVIT, HEREBY FINDS THERE (IS) (IS NOT) PROBABLE CAUSE TO DETAIN THE DEFENDANT PENDING FURTHER PROCEEDINGS.
DATED THIS DAY OF

STATE OF OKLAHOMA SUSTRICT COURT IN AND FOR CLEVELAND COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA FILED TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

MAR 15 2017

## AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF SEARCH WARRANT

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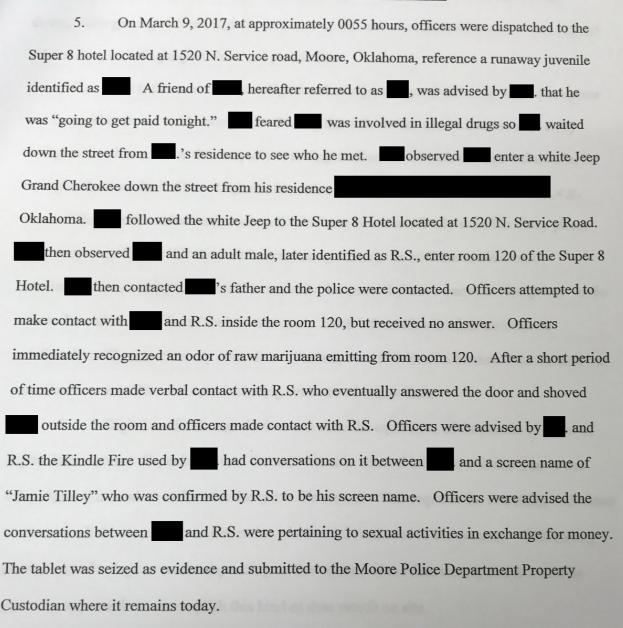
In the office of the Court Clerk MARILYN WILLIAMS

I, Jason Sparks, a detective with the Moore Police Department (MPD), Moore,

Oklahoma, being duly sworn, depose and state as follows:

- I have been employed as an officer with MPD since September 1997, and am assigned to the Investigations Division. While being assigned to the Investigations Division, I have conducted a wide variety of investigations, including robberies, homicides, rapes and other serious offenses.
- 2. As a commissioned officer with MPD, I am authorized to investigate violations of the laws of the State of Oklahoma.
- 3. I am investigating the activities of a juvenile male, hereafter referred to as and an adult male, hereafter referred as R.S., on March 8, 2017, and March 9, 2017. I submit that there is probable cause to believe that R.S. attempted to facilitate, encourage, offer or solicit sexual conduct with a minor by use of a computer in violation of Oklahoma State Statute Title 21, Chapter 29, Section 1040 13.a. I am submitting that R.S. offered money to for sexual conduct. I am submitting this affidavit in support of a search warrant authorizing the search of the items specified in Attachment A hereto, which items constitute instrumentalities, fruits, and evidence of the foregoing violation.
- 4. The statements in this affidavit include information provided by MPD Detective Jason Sparks. Since this affidavit is being submitted for the limited purpose of securing a search warrant, I have not included each and every fact known to me regarding this investigation. I have set forth only the facts that I believe are necessary to establish probable cause to support the issuance of a search warrant

## BACKGROUND OF INVESTIGATION



#### BACKGROUND ON DIGITAL MEDIA STORAGE DEVICES

6. The size of the electronic storage media (commonly referred to as the hard drive) used in home computers has grown tremendously within the last several years. These drives can

store thousands of images at very high resolution. Other digital media storage devices (e.g., compact disks, digital video disks, floppy disks, cell phones, Blackberries, iPhones, thumb drives, video gaming stations, digital cameras, etc.) can also store tremendous amounts of digital information, including digital video and picture files.

- 7. As is the case with most digital technology, communications by way of computer can be saved or stored on the computer. Storing this information can be intentional, *i.e.*, by saving an email as a file on the computer or saving the location of one's favorite websites in, for example, "bookmarked" files. Digital information can also be retained unintentionally, *e.g.*, traces of the path of an electronic communication may be automatically stored in many places (*e.g.*, temporary files or ISP client software, among others). In addition to electronic communications, a computer user's Internet activities generally leave traces or "footprints" in the web cache and history files of the browser used. Such information is often maintained indefinitely until overwritten by other data. Further, even if deleted, a forensic examination can sometimes recover files and data, including evidence of online chats.
- 8. Digital media storage devices can store the equivalent of thousands of pages of digital information. Especially when the user wants to conceal criminal evidence, he or she often stores it in random order with deceptive file names. This requires the searching authorities to examine all the stored data to determine whether it is included in the warrant. This sorting process can take days or weeks depending on the volume of the data stored, and it would be generally impossible to accomplish this kind of data search on site.

## SEARCHING COMPUTERS

9. Searching computers for criminal evidence is a highly technical process requiring skill and a properly controlled environment. The search of a computer or computer system is an exacting scientific procedure designed to protect the integrity of the evidence and to recover

hidden, erased, compressed, password-protected, or encrypted files. Since computer evidence is vulnerable to tampering or destruction, the controlled atmosphere of a laboratory is essential to complete this task. The Moore Police Department utilizes a laboratory staffed with a certified computer forensic examiner. This certified forensic examiner will take custody of all evidence seized. All evidence seized will be taken to the forensic examiner's lab for analysis. Identical copies of the original storage media will be produced by the forensic examiner so as to maintain the integrity of the original evidence.

#### **CONCLUSION**

10. Based on the aforementioned factual information, I respectfully submit that there is probable cause to believe that R.S. attempted to facilitate, encourage, offer or solicit sexual conduct with a minor by use of a computer in violation of Oklahoma State Statute Title 21, Chapter 29, Section 1040 13.a. Additionally, there is probable cause to believe that evidence of this crime is located in the listed seized evidence. I therefore respectfully request that a warrant be issued authorizing the search of the items listed in Attachment A.

Jason Spark Detective

Moore Police Department

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 2017.

Judge

## ATTACHMENT A

# LIST OF ITEMS TO BE SEARCHED

1. Kindle Fire tablet currently in the possession of the Moore Police Department.