

# NEWS RELEASE GREENE COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY DAN PATTERSON

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Four Charged in Connection with November 14 Murder of Willard Couple

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that charges have been filed against the following four individuals in connection with the November 14, 2020 shooting deaths of Alexander Chute and Brianna Sproul in front of their home in Willard, Missouri:

- Theresa Cox, 27, of Springfield is charged with murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, and two counts of armed criminal action.
- Duncan Bogle, 20, of Springfield is charged with two counts of murder in the first degree, two counts of armed criminal action, and endangering the welfare of a child in the second degree.
- Matthew Plumb, 43, of Springfield is charged with murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, two counts of armed criminal action, and tampering with physical evidence.
- Therin Plumb, 18, of Springfield is charged with tampering with physical evidence.

Prosecutor Patterson noted, "the charges announced today are the result of the tireless hard work and dedication of the officers of the Willard Police Department, assisted by the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the Missouri Organized Crime Information Center, and the Springfield Police Department. The Greene County Sheriff's Department and the United States' Marshall's Service provided invaluable aid in arresting the suspects."

Murder in the first degree carries a punishment of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole, murder in the second degree carries a range of punishment of 10 to 30 years, or life, imprisonment, armed criminal action carries a range of punishment of 3

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to 15 years imprisonment, tampering with physical evidence carriers a range of punishment of up to four years imprisonment and up to a \$10,000.00 fine, and endangering the welfare of a child in the second degree carries a range of punishment of up to a year in jail, and up to a \$2,000.00 fine.

Mr. Patterson cautions that the charges contained in the felony complaints are merely allegations and that the defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in court.

Copies of the felony complaints and probable statements filed in these cases are attached to this release. The Missouri Supreme Court ethics rules prohibit comments on the facts or investigation of this case beyond those contained in the felony complaint and probable cause statement that are part of the public record.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys Phil Fuhrman and Josh Harrel. It is being investigated by Lt. Shannon Shipley and Corporal Steve Purdy with the Willard Police Department.

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# IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI

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STATE OF MISSOURI,		)					
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vs.		) Case	e No. 2031-CR05199	DEC	08	2020	
THERESA COX,		) ) OCI	N#	CIRC	UIT C	CUN	K TY
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# FELONY COMPLAINT

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The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the attached probable cause statement concerning this matter, which statement is made a part hereof and is submitted herewith as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause for the issuance of the warrant.

WHEREFORE, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

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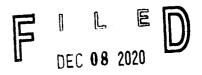
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### PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

CIRCUIT CLERK GREENE COUNTY

Date: December 8, 2020

I Shannon Shipley, a law enforcement officer, upon my oath, and under penalties of perjury, state as follows:

	1. I	have	probable	cause	to	believe	that	The	resa	Elizabe	th Co	x, DOB	<b>}:</b>	
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- 11/10/2020 1:10 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3
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- 11/10/2020 1:09 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0
  - "I need to talk to you about it when I get home and see what you think but possibly"

11/10/2020 1:11 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"Okay baby."

11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"Please steals the meaty goodnesses from your works."

11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"I love youuuu"

11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0

"I don't think I can tonight I'm on my last delivery right now"

11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0

"I love you too"

11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"That's okay baby. Ill be up when you get home. Love you babyyy"

(Continued from a later date)

11/12/2020 15:34 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0

"Do u know what time u work tomorrow?"

11/12/2020 15:45 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"11 – 4 im pretty sure."

11/12/2020 15:46 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0

"Ok"

11/12/2020 15:45 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"Also since we're already on this side of town and what im doing tomorrow night. I was gonna visit tonight."

11/12/2020 15:45 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"I need some time to air out my mind and get into a good place for tomorrow."

11/14/2020 02:06 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0

# "Hey babe are you okay? Is your anxiety attack any better? I just clocked offwork"

The times noted above are in Eastern Time. To make the conversion to Central time, one would need to subtract one hour from the time listed above. For example: the message from 11-14-2020 was actually sent at 1:06 AM, approximately 15 minutes before the sound of gunshots recorded on Officer Bond's surveillance camera.

Greene County Children's Division Caseworker, Sharon Asher, met with Cox on 11-16-2020. During that conversation, Cox told Asher that her partner's name was "Mixxi Bogle".

Research indicated 417-770-\*\*\*0 was registered to Gail Bogle. Gail confirmed that she gave the phone, with that phone number to her grandson, Duncan Bogle who goes by the alias, "Mixxi".

On 11-18-2020, Cpl. Purdy and I went to The Greene County Juvenile Office, where Cox had a scheduled court hearing. I met with Cox and Cpl. Purdy met with Bogle, who was dressed as a woman. He told Cpl. Purdy that he resided with his mother, Ronnee Bogle, in Springfield. Both Cox and Bogle declined our request for an interview. Cox and Bogle had their cell phones out in plain view. Springfield Police Officer Southard and I seized Cox's phone as plain view evidence. Cpl. Purdy asked Bogle for his phone and Bogle handed the phone to Cpl. Purdy. Officer Southard turned the cell phones over to me.

On 11-19-2020, I received surveillance video from a resident who lives on Kime Street (the road that curves north of and west of Mill Street). The video showed a vehicle remarkably similar in size, shape, body style and lighting configuration to a Chevy Spark. Cox owns a 2014 red Chevy Spark. The vehicle was recorded on Kime Street at about the same time shots were recorded on Officer Bond's video.

On 11-19-2020 Corporal Purdy, Chief McClain and investigators from the Missouri State Highway Patrol served a search warrant at 1107 W. Scott Street (Cox's residence). They located a Smith & Wesson gun box, a receipt for the firearm purchase (dated 10-11-2020) and a portable safe. The safe contained a Smith & Wesson, 9mm magazine loaded with 15 rounds of ammunition. The safe also contained a box of Seller & Bellot 9mm ammunition. The ammunition found in the safe had the same cartridge headstamp markings as the casings recovered from the crime scene at 101 Mill Street. The officers also located packaging from a new LG flip phone in the waste basket and a Wal-Mart receipt for the phone, dated 11-14-2020. The packaging from the search warrant was consistent with the phone relinquished by Bogle.

Video surveillance from Walmart on Kansas Expressway in Springfield, Missouri confirmed that on 11-14-2020, Cox and Bogle were at that store and Cox purchased the LG cellphone. Cox carried the merchandise bag from the store.

On 11-20-2020, Cpl. Purdy and an investigator from the Missouri State Highway Patrol served a search warrant at 302 S Miller Road for Cox's Chevy Spark. Cpl. Purdy located a tri-folded letter from Wal-Mart in the glovebox. The words "Silver Buick JD3X8D" was handwritten on the blank side of the letter. Cpl. Purdy confirmed the information to be the description and license plate for Chute's vehicle.

On 11-20-2020, I received confirmation from Zack Terhark of Eagle Armory that Cox purchased a S&W 9mm SD9VE pistol, serial number FCR3895, from their booth during a Springfield gun show on 10-11-2020. On the DOJ Firearms transfer record, Cox listed her address as 341 Carley Way Pacific, Missouri, not her address of record on Scott Street.

On 11-21-2020, Chief McClain spoke to Bogle's mother, Ronnee Bogle. Ronnee identified James Melton as one of Bogle's closest friends. I spoke to Gail Bogle on the same date and Gail also identified Melton as one of Bogle's closest friends.

On 11-21-2020, Cpl. Purdy and Missouri State Highway Patrol investigators met with Melton. Melton stated that he received a phone call from Bogle on 11-13-2020 at around 11:00 PM. Melton said Bogle was screaming, crying, and hyperventilating. Melton said Bogle stated he didn't want to kill anyone. Melton said Bogle reported being in Willard, in Cox's car, with her gun. Melton said Bogle told him Cox sent him there to kill her ex. Melton said he told Bogle not to do anything, but Bogle hung up on him. Melton said he sent Bogle 20 to 30 texts messages, but never received a reply.

Melton said he learned of the murders through a news report. Melton said he called Bogle on 11-15-2020 and told Bogle, "Mixxi, you killed those people." Melton said Bogle answered, "Sometimes some people have to die." Melton said he provided an anonymous report to Crime Stoppers, later that day. We received the Crime Stoppers report on 11-17-2020. Melton went on to say that Cox had tried a couple times to pressure Bogle into something like that. Melton said Bogle always came to him, crying, and said he felt pressured and he didn't want to do it. Melton said his communications with Bogle were from 417-770-0900.

Melton said Bogle met Cox in August 2020 and in September 2020, Bogle began to tell Melton that Cox was pressuring him to hurt or kill Chute. He said it was because Chute was supposedly harming their daughter. Melton said that Cox bought Bogle a firearm. It had been purchased in Cox's name. Melton said he not only saw the gun, but he held it when Bogle brought it to Melton's apartment. Melton described the gun as a silver semi-automatic 9-millimeter pistol without a safety.

On November 23, MSHP Sgt. Hitchcock and I conducted an interview of Matthew Plumb. On 11-13-2020, Matthew was the evening manager for the Pizza Hut located at

at 3868 W. Chestnut Expressway Springfield, Missouri. Under Miranda, Plumb said that he knew Cox was planning to have Chute murdered. Matthew said he met with Cox at a fast food parking lot to discuss the murder details and contingencies. Matthew admitted that he told Cox that she could report her handgun stolen, as he had done twice in the past. Matthew admitted that his part of in the murder was maintaining an alibi for Cox. Matthew said he suggested that she plan the murder for a night they were scheduled to work. Matthew further stated that Cox's car was mechanically okay, but part of the plan was to say her transmission had problems, so she could remain clocked in, at work, while Bogle took her car. Matthew said that Cox attempted to recruit his nephew (biological son), Therin Plumb, to assist Bogle with the murder. According to Matthew, Bogle returned to Pizza Hut in Cox's car after the murder. Matthew said Cox left shortly thereafter, leaving Bogle behind. Matthew said Bogle was very upset and he used a significant portion of his worktime attempting to calm Bogle. According to Matthew, because of the distraction, he was unable to complete his closing paperwork or make his deposit. Matthew said that he took Bogle home and then he disposed of the firearm used in the murder. Matthew led Sgt. Hitchcock and I to a creek by Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park where Matthew stated he threw the gun and the magazine, in near, but separate locations. Later the same evening, Missouri State Highway Patrol Divers located the firearm in the creek. It was a 9mm Smith & Wesson handgun. The serial number of the recovered firearm was FCR3895, a match for the firearm Cox reported stolen.

Cpl. Purdy and I interviewed Therin Plumb. Under Miranda, Therin admitted that Cox asked him to assist with the murder. Therin said he agreed to do so, but later said he told Cox he changed his mind. Therin said, after the murder, Bogle returned to Pizza Hut. Therin said Matthew told him to get the firearm from Cox's car and place it in Matthew's vehicle for disposal. Cpl. Purdy asked Therin where the gun was. Therin said he found the gun on the passenger's side back floorboard. Therin demonstrated as he spoke. His body position was that of a person in a driver's seat. He used his right arm to reach down and back. Therin slouched his body, to the right, as if reaching (briefly) behind imaginary passenger's seat. Therin did not mimic feeling about blindly or looking around the vehicle. Therin's eyes remained straight ahead and his demonstration illustrated how the gun was deposited, not located. When asked what Bogle would say about his participation in the murder, Therin said, she would probably throw him under the bus. Therin admitted that he and his girlfriend, Ashley Moore, were present with Matthew when Matthew disposed of the weapon.

Cpl. Purdy and I met with Nicholas Glor, a driver for the Pizza Hut located at 3868 W. Chestnut Expressway Springfield, Missouri. Glor said he and Cox were drivers working the evening of 11-13-2020, but due to mechanical issues, she stopped driving at about 9:00 PM and helped inside of the restaurant. Glor said his last delivery was at 1:00 AM and he washed the dishes until about 2:50 AM when Matthew told him to leave. Glor said that Bogle remained in the Pizza Hut office for about an hour and a half. He said Matthew appeared to be having a serious conversation with Bogle based on their body language. Glor described that Bogle was in a chair with his head down and Matthew was

kneeling on the floor in front of him. Glor said he hadn't finished the dishes, but Matthew agreed to get them done.

On 11-27-2020 I contacted Rebecca Davault, General Manager for the Pizza Hut located at 3868 W Chestnut Expressway in Springfield, Missouri. Davault said when she began her shift on 11-14-2020, she noted the restaurant was a mess. She said the fryer had not been cleaned, dirty dishes were present, the floors had not been mopped, the dry food delivery had been left in the lobby, the nightly paperwork was undone and the deposit had not been made. Devault said to her knowledge, the last of the Pizza Hut employees to report seeing Cox was a driver, Mary Miller, who said Cox and Bogle stayed the night after the murders. Devault characterized Cox and Bogle as in "fugitive mode". She said Miller reported that Cox colored her hair red and Bogle colored his hair blond.

In a subsequent interview with Miller, she confirmed that Cox and Bogle colored their hair as noted above, because the police were "out for blood". Miller said she drove Cox and Bogle to a truck stop in Joplin, Missouri.

#### 3. I believe that:

- a. The defendant poses a danger to the community or to any other person because: The accomplices were consistent that they received their planning and instruction from Cox. Witnesses told police that Bogle was involved, because he was afraid of Cox.
- b. There are reasonable grounds to believe that the defendant will not appear upon a criminal summons because: Cox changed her phone number, colored her hair, according to a witness and traveled to California where Cox was discovered in a park.

Shannon Shipley

Detective-Lieutenant Position

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	Plaintiff,	)	
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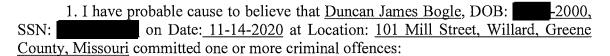
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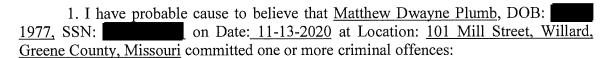
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### PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: November 30, 2020

I <u>Shannon Shipley</u>, a law enforcement officer, upon my oath, and under penalties of perjury, state as follows:



2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows: On Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 9:03 AM Corporal Purdy responded to a "shots fired" call at 101 Mill Street. Upon arrival, Cpl. Purdy observed the bodies of a female, later identified as Brianna Sproul and a male, later identified as Alexander Chute, on the front porch of apartment 1. Both victims had evidence of gunshot wounds to their heads and upper bodies. A fully loaded .40 caliber Glock 27 handgun was located on the porch, near Chute's hand. Chute had an empty holster on the right side of his belt. A total of 8 (eight) 9mm shell casings were collected from the scene.

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- a. The defendant poses a danger to the community or to any other person because: Matthew Plumb admitted he assisted with the planning and alibi of a murder, which resulted in the brutal death of two individuals, unrelated to him. He then disposed of the murder weapon. Matthew Plumb said he did not receive compensation for his participation; he indicated he was helping out a friend.
- b. There are reasonable grounds to believe that the defendant will not appear upon a criminal summons because: Matthew Plumb was suspended from his job. He stated Therin Plumb moved back with his father and Matthew stated he needed to get out of Springfield.

Shannon Shipley

<u>Detective-Lieutenant</u> Position

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# FELONY COMPLAINT

### COUNT I

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Greene, State of Missouri, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 575.100, RSMo, committed the class E felony of tampering with physical evidence, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 558.002, RSMo, in that on or about November 14, 2020, in the County of Greene, State of Missouri, the defendant concealed a firearm with the purpose to impair its availability in the investigation of the homicide of Alexander Chute and Brianna Sproul, an official investigation, and thereby impaired and obstructed the prosecution of Duncan Bogle for the crime of murder in the first degree, a felony.

# State v. THERIN RHYLE PLUMB

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the attached probable cause statement concerning this matter, which statement is made a part hereof and is submitted herewith as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause for the issuance of the warrant.

WHEREFORE, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

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#### PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: November 30, 2020

I <u>Shannon Shipley</u>, a law enforcement officer, upon my oath, and under penalties of perjury, state as follows:

1. I have probable cause to believe that <u>Therin Rhyle Plumb</u>, DOB <u>2002</u>, SSN: on Date: <u>11-13-2020</u> at Location: <u>101 Mill Street</u>, <u>Willard</u>, <u>Greene</u> County, Missouri committed one or more criminal offences:

2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows: On Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 9:03 AM Corporal Purdy responded to a "shots fired" call at 101 Mill Street. Upon arrival, Cpl. Purdy observed the bodies of a female, later identified as Brianna Sproul and a male, later identified as Alexander Chute, on the front porch of apartment 1. Both victims had evidence of gunshot wounds to their heads and upper bodies. A fully loaded .40 caliber Glock 27 handgun was located on the porch, near Chute's hand. Chute had an empty holster on the right side of his belt. A total of 8 (eight) 9mm shell casings were collected from the scene.

During a security sweep of the apartment, Chute's biological daughter, four-year-old SC was located unharmed in the bathroom. Cpl. Purdy took protective custody of SC and turned her over to Department of Social Services Children's Division Investigator Elizabeth Omans. Omans stated there was an active investigation regarding allegations of sexual abuse perpetrated by SC's biological mother, Theresa Cox. During a warranted search of the 101 Mill Street apartment, Lt. Shipley located a Children's Division Safety Plan, dated 10-14-2020 which indicated SC would stay with Chute.

Cpl. Purdy contacted one of Chute's supervisors, State of Missouri Department of Public Safety Chief Steve Blackburn. Blackburn told Cpl. Purdy that Chute was scheduled to work from 4:00 PM until Midnight on 11-13-2020 but left about an hour early (approximately 11:00 PM) after telling his partner, Officer Garza, that Cox was at his house and Sproul was by herself.

Willard Officer Brandon Bond resides near 101 Mill Street. Officer Bond checked his surveillance system and located a video clip recorded at 1:21 AM on 11-14-2020. The video captured sounds consistent with 10 gunshots. A canvass of the neighborhood revealed that other residents reported hearing loud noises, consistent with gunshots, during the same time.

On 11-15-2020, Cpl. Purdy requested a 911 call search, for the residence of Theresa Cox located at 1107 W Scott Street in Springfield, Missouri. The dispatcher advised that since 06-07-2020, eight calls for service had been recorded for that location. They are as follows:

- **June 7, 2020:** Chute reported that his ex-wife Theresa Cox refused to give him his 4-year-old child. A Parenting Plan was in place.
- October 11, 2020: Children's Division reported allegations of physical and sexual abuse. They needed an officer to lay eyes on the child. Persons could be heard inside, but no one would answer the door. Mother was not being cooperative.
- October 12, 2020 (12:36:03): DFS reported allegations of physical and sexual abuse. Occupants left just prior to arrival.
- October 12, 2020 (15:59:19): GCCD reported allegations of physical and sexual abuse. Per DFS if no one home, cancel.
- October 14, 2020: Physical and sexual abuse. Subject on scene.
- October 18, 2020: Teresa (sp?)/ mother reported ex-husband Alexander Chute has 4-year-old daughter for a week and alternates every Sunday. Now refusing to bring daughter back, saying he can't have her. Ex-husband lives at 101 Mill Street Unit #1 in Willard. Dispatch notes states that Teresa (sp?) called 911 from 417-319-\*\*\*3.
- October 19, 2020: DFS reported allegations of sexual abuse. Suspect was on scene.
- November 3, 2020: Teresa Cox (sp?) wanted to report a stolen handgun, a Smith & Wesson 9mm pistol. Caller believes it was taken yesterday from her vehicle. Advised they attempted to contact Telcom several times but could not get through. Dispatch notes states that Teresa Cox (sp?) called 911 from 417-319-\*\*\*3.
- Cpl. Purdy requested SPD report #20-37240. In that report Cox stated that a Smith & Wesson SD9 VE 9mm pistol had been stolen from her vehicle. The serial number for that firearm was recorded as FCR3895.
- Cpl. Purdy obtained and served a search warrant for the text message content of 417-319-\*\*\*3 (Cox's phone number). He noted communication between 417-319-\*\*\*3 and 417-770-\*\*\*0, later identified as the phone number for Duncan Bogle, Cox's significant partner. The communications are as follows:

11/10/2020 1:09 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0

"Change in plans possibly for Friday"

11/10/2020 1:10 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"Are you sure?"

11/10/2020 1:09 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0

"I need to talk to you about it when I get home and see what you think but possibly"

11/10/2020 1:11 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3 "Okay baby." 11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3 "Please steals the meaty goodnesses from your works." 11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3 "I love youuuu" 11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0 "I don't think I can tonight I'm on my last delivery right now" 11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0 "I love you too" 11/10/2020 1:12 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3 "That's okay baby. Ill be up when you get home. Love you babyyy" (Continued from a later date) 11/12/2020 15:34 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0 "Do u know what time u work tomorrow?" 11/12/2020 15:45 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3 "11 - 4 im pretty sure." 11/12/2020 15:46 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0 "Ok" 11/12/2020 15:45 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3 "Also since we're already on this side of town and what im doing tomorrow night. I was gonna visit tonight."

11/12/2020 15:45 from 417-770-\*\*\*0 to 417-319-\*\*\*3

"I need some time to air out my mind and get into a good place for tomorrow." 11/14/2020 02:06 from 417-319-\*\*\*3 to 417-770-\*\*\*0

# "Hey babe are you okay? Is your anxiety attack any better? I just clocked off work"

The times noted above are in Eastern Time. To make the conversion to Central time, one would need to subtract one hour from the time listed above. For example: the message from 11-14-2020 was actually sent at 1:06 AM, approximately 15 minutes before the sound of gunshots recorded on Officer Bond's surveillance camera.

Greene County Children's Division Caseworker, Sharon Asher, met with Cox on 11-16-2020. During that conversation, Cox told Asher that her partner's name was "Mixxi Bogle".

Research indicated 417-770-\*\*\*0 was registered to Gail Bogle. Gail confirmed that she gave the phone, with that phone number to her grandson, Duncan Bogle who goes by the alias, "Mixxi".

On 11-18-2020, Cpl. Purdy and I went to The Greene County Juvenile Office, where Cox had a scheduled court hearing. I met with Cox and Cpl. Purdy met with Bogle, who was dressed as a woman. He told Cpl. Purdy that he resided with his mother, Ronnee Bogle, in Springfield. Both Cox and Bogle declined our request for an interview. Cox and Bogle had their cell phones out in plain view. Springfield Police Officer Southard and I seized Cox's phone as plain view evidence. Cpl. Purdy asked Bogle for his phone and Bogle handed the phone to Cpl. Purdy. Officer Southard turned the cell phones over to me.

On 11-19-2020, I received surveillance video from a resident who lives on Kime Street (the road that curves north of and west of Mill Street). The video showed a vehicle remarkably similar in size, shape, body style and lighting configuration to a Chevy Spark. Cox owns a 2014 red Chevy Spark. The vehicle was recorded on Kime Street at about the same time shots were recorded on Officer Bond's video.

On 11-19-2020 Corporal Purdy, Chief McClain and investigators from the Missouri State Highway Patrol served a search warrant at 1107 W. Scott Street (Cox's residence). They located a Smith & Wesson gun box, a receipt for the firearm purchase (dated 10-11-2020) and a portable safe. The safe contained a Smith & Wesson, 9mm magazine loaded with 15 rounds of ammunition. The safe also contained a box of Seller & Bellot 9mm ammunition. The ammunition found in the safe had the same cartridge headstamp markings as the casings recovered from the crime scene at 101 Mill Street. The officers also located packaging from a new LG flip phone in the waste basket and a Wal-Mart receipt for the phone, dated 11-14-2020. The packaging from the search warrant was consistent with the phone relinquished by Bogle.

On 11-20-2020, Cpl. Purdy and an investigator from the Missouri State Highway Patrol served a search warrant at 302 S Miller Road for Cox's Chevy Spark. Cpl. Purdy located a tri-folded letter from Wal-Mart in the glovebox. The words "Silver Buick JD3X8D" was handwritten on the blank side of the letter. Cpl. Purdy confirmed the information to be the description and license plate for Chute's vehicle.

On 11-20-2020, I received confirmation from Zack Terhark of Eagle Armory that Cox purchased a S&W 9mm SD9VE pistol, serial number FCR3895, from their booth during a Springfield gun show on 10-11-2020.

On 11-21-2020, Chief McClain spoke to Bogle's mother, Ronnee Bogle. Ronnee identified James Melton as one of Bogle's closest friends. I spoke to Gail Bogle on the same date and Gail also identified Melton as one of Bogle's closest friends.

On 11-21-2020, Cpl. Purdy and Missouri State Highway Patrol investigators met with Melton. Melton stated that he received a phone call from Bogle on 11-13-2020 at around 11:00 PM. Melton said Bogle was screaming, crying, and hyperventilating. Melton said Bogle stated he didn't want to kill anyone. Melton said Bogle reported being in Willard, in Cox's car, with her gun. Melton said Bogle told him Cox sent him there to kill her ex. Melton said he told Bogle not to do anything, but Bogle hung up on him. Melton said he sent Bogle 20 to 30 texts messages, but never received a reply.

Melton said he learned of the murders through a news report. Melton said he called Bogle on 11-15-2020 and told Bogle, "Mixxi, you killed those people." Melton said Bogle answered, "Sometimes some people have to die." Melton said he provided an anonymous report to Crime Stoppers, later that day. We received the Crime Stoppers report on 11-17-2020. Melton went on to say that Cox had tried a couple times to pressure Bogle into something like that. Melton said Bogle always came to him, crying, and said he felt pressured and he didn't want to do it. Melton said his communications with Bogle were from 417-770-0900.

Melton said Bogle met Cox in August 2020 and in September 2020, Bogle began to tell Melton that Cox was pressuring him to hurt or kill Chute. He said it was because Chute was supposedly harming their daughter. Melton said that Cox bought Bogle a firearm. It had been purchased in Cox's name. Melton said he not only saw the gun, but he held it when Bogle brought it to Melton's apartment. Melton described the gun as a silver semi-automatic 9-millimeter pistol without a safety.

On November 23, MSHP Sgt. Hitchcock and I conducted an interview of Matthew Plumb. On 11-13-2020, Matthew was the evening manager for the Pizza Hut located at at 3868 W. Chestnut Expressway Springfield, Missouri. Under Miranda, Plumb said that he knew Cox was planning to have Chute murdered. Matthew said he met with Cox at a fast food parking lot to discuss the murder details and contingencies. Matthew admitted that he told Cox that she could report her handgun stolen, as he had done twice in the past. Matthew admitted that his part of in the murder was maintaining an alibi for Cox. Matthew said he suggested that she plan the murder for a night they were scheduled to

work. Matthew further stated that Cox's car was mechanically okay, but part of the plan was to say her transmission had problems, so she could remain clocked in, at work, while Bogle took her car. Matthew said that Cox attempted to recruit his nephew (biological son), Therin Plumb, to assist Bogle with the murder. According to Matthew, Bogle returned to Pizza Hut in Cox's car after the murder. Matthew said Cox left shortly thereafter, leaving Bogle behind. Matthew said Bogle was very upset and he used a significant portion of his worktime attempting to calm Bogle. According to Matthew, because of the distraction, he was unable to complete his closing paperwork or make his deposit. Matthew said that he took Bogle home and then he disposed of the firearm used in the murder. Matthew led Sgt. Hitchcock and I to a creek by Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park where Matthew stated he threw the gun and the magazine, in near, but separate locations. Later the same evening, Missouri State Highway Patrol Divers located the firearm in the creek. It was a 9mm Smith & Wesson handgun. The serial number of the recovered firearm was FCR3895, a match for the firearm Cox reported stolen.

Lt Shipley and I interviewed Therin Plumb. Under Miranda, Therin admitted that Cox asked him to assist with the murder. Therin said he agreed to do so, but later said he told Cox he changed his mind. Therin said, after the murder, Bogle returned to Pizza Hut. Therin said Matthew told him to get the firearm from Cox's car and place it in Matthew's vehicle for disposal. Cpl. Purdy asked Therin where the gun was. Therin said he found the gun on the passenger's side back floorboard. Therin demonstrated as he spoke. His body position was that of a person in a driver's seat. He used his right arm to reach down and back. Therin slouched his body, to the right, as if reaching (briefly) behind imaginary passenger's seat. Therin did not mimic feeling about blindly or looking around the vehicle. Therin's eyes remained straight ahead and his demonstration illustrated how the gun was deposited, not located. When asked what Bogle would say about his participation in the murder, Therin said, she would probably throw him under the bus. Therin admitted that he and his girlfriend, Ashley Moore, were present with Matthew when Matthew disposed of the weapon.

Lt Shipley and I met with Nicholas Glor, a driver for the Pizza Hut located at 3868 W. Chestnut Expressway Springfield, Missouri. Glor said he and Cox were drivers working the evening of 11-13-2020, but due to mechanical issues, she stopped driving at about 9:00 PM and helped inside of the restaurant. Glor said his last delivery was at 1:00 AM and he washed the dishes until about 2:50 AM when Matthew told him to leave. Glor said that Bogle remained in the Pizza Hut office for about an hour and a half. He said Matthew appeared to be having a serious conversation with Bogle based on their body language. Glor described that Bogle was in a chair with his head down and Matthew was kneeling on the floor in front of him. Glor said he hadn't finished the dishes, but Matthew agreed to get them done.

On 11-27-2020 I contacted Rebecca Davault, General Manager for the Pizza Hut located at 3868 W Chestnut Expressway in Springfield, Missouri. Davault said when she began her shift on 11-14-2020, she noted the restaurant was a mess. She said the fryer had not

been cleaned, dirty dishes were present, the floors had not been mopped, the dry food delivery had been left in the lobby, the nightly paperwork was undone and the deposit had not been made. Devault said to her knowledge, the last of the Pizza Hut employees to report seeing Cox was a driver, Mary Miller, who said Cox and Bogle stayed the night after the murders. Devault characterized Cox and Bogle as in "fugitive mode". She said Miller reported that Cox colored her hair red and Bogle colored his hair blond.

In a subsequent interview with Miller, she confirmed that Cox and Bogle colored their hair as noted above, because the police were "out for blood". Miller said she drove Cox and Bogle to a truck stop in Joplin, Missouri.

### 3. I believe that:

a. The defendant poses a danger to the community or to any other person because: Therin Plumb admitted he agreed to assist with carrying out the murder of two individuals unrelated to him. Therin Plumb reported that he retrieved the murder weapon and was present when the weapon was disposed of. Therin said he was offered no compensation for his part of the crime; he indicated he was just helping out a friend.

Shannon Shipley Name

<u>Detective-Lieutenant</u> Position