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FELONY PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: January 1, 2020

2019-020001

1. I, Chief Jeffrey Oswald, an officer with the Fayette Police Department, on my oath and under penalty of perjury state as follows:
2. I have Probable Cause to believe that Alfredo Demario Hicks Jr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] committed the following criminal offense:

Murder in the first degree Rsmo: 565.020-001Y198409

3. The facts supporting the case are as follows:

On December 30, 2019 at approximately 1340, this officer received a phone call from a witness in reference to a possible shooting. The witness advised that on West Hackberry, a block West of O'Reilly's Autoparts, a person in a vehicle had possibly been shot. I responded to the address of 207 South Linn Street, which is located on the corner of South Linn and West Hackberry.

Upon arrival at the above address, I observed a blue Toyota four door passenger car as well as an individual running away from the vehicle. The individual running was traveling Northwest in between the residence of 207 South Linn and 203 West Hackberry. I was unable to locate the individual running so I returned to the Toyota to check on the individual in the car. I looked inside the car and could see a black male sitting in the driver's seat. I could see blood on the victim's face/head and on the interior of the car. I went to the passenger side of the car and opened the front door in order to get a better look at the victim, later identified as John L. Turner. The victim's eyes were open and appeared to be fixed. It appeared that the victim had been shot in the head. I radioed Howard County Central Dispatch and explained the nature of the call, and requested backup and medics. Howard County medics arrived on scene, checked the victim, and confirmed that the victim was deceased. The Howard County Ambulance blocked the street to the West of the crime scene, I had my vehicle positioned to block the East side of the crime scene. Numerous law enforcement agencies had responded to the area to assist at this point, including Boone County Sheriff's Department for scene and evidence processing. Boone County Deputy Andrew Collins and Deputy Adam Schoolcraft began processing the crime scene. While canvassing the neighborhood, I spoke to [REDACTED] who advised that he was at a residence on the corner of Watts and Hackberry earlier in the day. He advised that he heard a shot at about 1330.

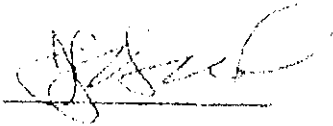
At approximately 1944 Korte's Towing and recovery loaded the victim vehicle up on his roll-back truck and departed to his facility at 3882 Highway 5 and 240 Glasgow, MO 65254. Howard County Deputy Brian Sollars followed the tow truck to Korte's facility. Boone County Deputies processed the car and the deceased was released to Michael Freese and Scott Fuemmeler of

Friemonth-Freeze Funeral Home. While the Deputies were processing the evidence, this officer asked Howard County Dispatch check with Sprint Cellular and attempt to locate or "ping" the victim's phone ([REDACTED]). At approximately 2357 I received an emailed document from Sprint Cellular in reference to the victim's phone number. After looking at the document, I noticed a phone number that was texting back and forth with the victim. The number in question [REDACTED] began texting the victim's phone at 0729. The victim's phone number replied to the [REDACTED] number. There were numerous text messages sent back and forth between these numbers. The last text message sent was from the [REDACTED] number to the victim at 1330. I thought that [REDACTED] would be a phone number that we should attempt to identify for a possible suspect. I made phone contact with Boone County Detective Andrew Evans in reference to this number and if he could help me obtain subscriber information. At approximately 0734 I received an email from Detective Evans that contained a document that showed Alfredo Demario Hicks Jr. as being the probable subscriber of phone number [REDACTED].

On December 31, 2019 at approximately 1449 the phone number [REDACTED] was pinged to a location near 301 South Park with an approximate accuracy of fifty seven meters. At approximately 1551 a second ping of the phone located to 207 South Park with twenty one meter accuracy. A third ping of the number gave a historical ping, meaning that the phone was disabled or turned off and no location was given. At approximately 1610 officers initiated a knock and talk at 301 South Park and at 208 South Park. Deputy Sollars and I knocked on the door but nobody came to the door. A few minutes later, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] arrived in a car. Deputy Sollars made contact with [REDACTED], who resides at 208 South Park. At approximately 1625, [REDACTED] went into the residence and brought Alfredo Demario Hicks Jr. out to officers. Sollars place Hicks in handcuffs and placed him in his patrol car. This officer made contact with [REDACTED] and asked for consent to look in the residence for evidence. [REDACTED] gave verbal consent and took us to his back bedroom where [REDACTED] pulled out a storage bin and showed us a cell phone. This officer recovered the cell phone and placed in into an evidence bag. Officers cleared from 208 South Park at this time.

At 1741 Investigator Tony Perkins advised Hicks of his Miranda statement of rights. Hicks acknowledged his rights and signed the waiver of rights in front of Investigator Perkins and Deputy Brian Sollars. Deputy Sollars and Investigator Perkins began the interview. During the interview, Hicks explained that he was meeting the victim so that he could buy marijuana from the victim. Hicks stated that he shot the victim in the head during the transaction. Hicks stated he used a .380 caliber handgun to shoot the victim.

Hicks consented to a search of his phone. During that search, it was found that Hicks had conducted searches on Google as to if .380 ammo can be traced by law enforcement. Hicks also researched, on Google, if it was better to shoot a .380 pistol up close or far away. Both of these searches, by Hicks, occurred on 12-29-2019.



Chief Jeff Oswald

1-1-90

Date

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, MISSOURI
ASSOCIATE DIVISION

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.) Case No. 2019D-CR00001
ALFREDO DEMARIO HICKS JR,) OCN: EB001402
SSN: [REDACTED]) PA File No. 089005230
Defendant.)

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COMPLAINT IN FELONY CASE

COUNT I

Mo Charge Code: 565.020-001Y19840911.0

Comes now Deborah K. Riekhof, Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Howard, State of Missouri, being duly sworn upon oath and upon information and belief, and charges there is probable cause to believe that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.020, RSMo, committed the **Class A Felony of Murder in the First Degree** punishable upon conviction under Section 565.020, RSMo, in that on or about December 30, 2019, in the County of Howard, State of Missouri, the defendant after deliberation, knowingly caused the death of John L Turner by shooting him.

COUNT II

Mo Charge Code: 571.015-001Y19755299.0

Comes now Deborah K. Riekhof, Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Howard, State of Missouri, being duly sworn upon oath and upon information and belief, and charges there is probable cause to believe that the defendant, in violation of Section 571.015, RSMo, committed the **Felony of Armed Criminal Action**, punishable upon conviction under Section 571.015.1 RSMo, in that on or about December 30, 2019, in the County of Howard, State of Missouri, the defendant committed the felony of Murder in the First Degree charged in Count I, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, and the defendant committed the foregoing felony

of Murder in the First Degree by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a deadly weapon.

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the attached statement of facts concerning this matter, which statement is made a part hereof and are 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.

January 1, 2020
Date

/s/ Deborah K. Riekhof
Deborah K. Riekhof #57148
Prosecuting Attorney
Howard County, Missouri

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of January, 2020.

Wesley R. Bell
Judge

WITNESSES:

Chief Jeffrey Oswald, FPD

RANGE OF PUNISHMENT:

The authorized punishment for a class A Felony is a term of imprisonment of ten (10) to thirty (30) years, or life.