

STATE OF MISSOURI

vs.

RANDALL RUSSELL FOX

REDACTED

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

I, SCOTT A DECKER

knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

1. I have probable cause to believe that on 5/8/24, at

REDACTED

RANDALL RUSSELL FOX committed one or more criminal offense(s): 565.021-001Y202009 MURDER 2ND DEGREE

F/M: F COUNTS: 2 CHARGE TYPE: S

575.100-001Y202050 TAMPERING WITH PHYSICAL EVIDENCE IN FELONY PROSECUTION

F/M: F COUNTS: 1 CHARGE TYPE: S

571.015-001Y202052 ARMED CRIMINAL ACTION

F/M: F COUNTS: 2 CHARGE TYPE: S

2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 05/18/2024 around 0754 hours, REDACTED, reported her mother REDACTED and her sister REDACTED as missing and have not been seen nor heard from since 5/8/24. REDACTED reported REDACTED and REDACTED live together on REDACTED MO with REDACTED son REDACTED. REDACTED reported that she has Power of Attorney for REDACTED and has checked REDACTED bank account. REDACTED reported there has been no activity from REDACTED account other than automatic payments. REDACTED reported that all the medication that either REDACTED or REDACTED would take were left at the residence. REDACTED reported that the purses and their contents along with both cellular phones for REDACTED and REDACTED were left in the residence. REDACTED reported that REDACTED car is still at the residence. REDACTED reported that both REDACTED and REDACTED wear dentures, and both sets of dentures were in the residence. REDACTED reported that no other family or friends have heard from REDACTED or REDACTED since May 8th, 2024.

REDACTED reported REDACTED ex-husband, Randall Fox has been staying at the residence with REDACTED, REDACTED and REDACTED. REDACTED reported she was told by REDACTED that REDACTED and REDACTED were picked up on 05/08/2024 by a shuttle.

On 05/18/2024 a Columbia Police Officer REDACTED went to the residence on Ridgemoor Drive and spoke with Randall Fox. Randall Fox stated he was the only person at home. Fox was the only person that the officer saw. Officer REDACTED reported he saw four cellular phones in the residence, two of which appeared to belong to REDACTED, one that appeared to belong to REDACTED and the other was either turned

off or the battery not working. Officer [REDACTED] further reported finding a purse that contained [REDACTED] valid identification and bank cards in the house. Officer [REDACTED] reported that Randall Fox told him he last saw [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] on 05/08/2024 sometime after approximately 0800 hours, before he went on a walk. Officer [REDACTED] reported Randall Fox told him when he returned [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were gone. Officer [REDACTED] reported seeing [REDACTED] vehicle, a 2018 Subaru at the residence. Officer [REDACTED] reported Randall Fox allowed him to search the residence. In looking back at body camera footage, it shows when the officer is checking the residence in the basement Randall Fox mentions to the officer the odor he may be smelling was caused by a bad smell on sleeping bags in a closet. Officer [REDACTED] asks Randall Fox to look inside a different but nearby closet in the basement. Randall Fox tells Officer [REDACTED] there is stuff in the closet that will fall out if he opens it. Randall Fox opens the closet only approximately an inch and then quickly shuts it.

On 05/18/2024 the same Columbia Police Officer spoke to [REDACTED] a juvenile. The officer reported [REDACTED] told him the following. [REDACTED] stated it is unusual for [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to be gone that long, and that [REDACTED] sometimes forgets her phone but it is unusual that [REDACTED] did. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] does not have a vehicle.

On 5/21/24 I called and spoke with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] told me she was on her way to obtain bank statements for her mother, [REDACTED]. Around 1542 hours I met with [REDACTED] in person at the Columbia Police Department. [REDACTED] told me that on 5/12/24, Mothers Day, [REDACTED] called her.

[REDACTED] told me that during this phone call, [REDACTED] asked if she knew where his mother is. [REDACTED] told me that Randall Fox had told her that a foul odor in the house was from a soiled diaper from [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] reported to me that prior to coming to the police department, she went to the Ridgemont Drive house. [REDACTED] told me while she was downstairs she opened a closet door and immediately smelled a bad odor coming from this closet in the basement.

On 5/21/24 around 1514 hours [REDACTED] was located in the area of Ridgemont and Highridge Drive. [REDACTED] was brought to the police department for questioning. During this questioning [REDACTED] told us his father, Randall Fox, told him he (Randall Fox) had gone for a walk and when he returned, his mother [REDACTED] and grandmother [REDACTED] were not home. [REDACTED] told us he didn't talk with his dad that morning of the 8th when he left for school. [REDACTED] told us upon his return home from school he saw an area on the wall that is directly in front of the front door that appeared to have been patched. [REDACTED] told us there was never any damage or a patch to this spot before. [REDACTED] told us there was a gash on a wall by the front door that was not there before.

A search warrant was obtained for [REDACTED] on 05/21/2024. During the search two dead bodies were found inside the same closet Randall Fox had stated

the Christmas decorations were inside when the original officer was there. Both bodies appeared to be female and have traumatic injuries. During this search a chemical substance was used in several places within the house. When this chemical substance is used it causes a visible reaction when it comes into contact with blood. One of the areas where this visible reaction was observed was the entry way by the front door.

Detective [REDACTED] spoke to a neighbor, [REDACTED] told him she had not seen [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] for around two weeks. [REDACTED] stated that was very unusual because [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are outside a lot of the time. [REDACTED] told Det [REDACTED] she has been in contact with Randall Fox and [REDACTED] since [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had been missing. [REDACTED] stated Randall Fox has told her inconsistent statements. [REDACTED] stated Randall Fox had been constantly asking her and others if they had seen [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated Randall Fox once stated a shuttle picked up [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated another time Randall Fox stated a boyfriend of [REDACTED] may have picked her up on a motor cycle. [REDACTED] stated after Randall Fox had stated [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had left their phones at the house he asked her to call [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated she asked Randall Fox how was she supposed to call them when they left their phones. [REDACTED] stated Randall Fox made a statement to the effect of "oh yeah". [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] has been staying at the residence. [REDACTED] stated Randall Fox had been staying at the residence up until yesterday, when [REDACTED] told her he took Randall Fox to his son, [REDACTED] house.

On 5/22/24 autopsies were started on both of the female victims. We learned that both victims had been shot. One victim was shot multiple times.

With this new information another search was done at the house on Ridgemont Drive on 5/22/24. During this search a spent 9mm casing, and bullets were found. The spent casing and bullets were all found in the area of the entry way of the home. One of the bullets was found in the area of the doorway of [REDACTED] bedroom. A substance that appeared to be blood was found under the refrigerator in the kitchen. It appeared that blood had been cleaned up from the floor but had seeped under a wooden wall that is by the front entry way.

On 5/23/24 Randall Fox was located at [REDACTED] house. Fox was brought to the police department. Upon my arrival at the police department I learned that Fox had changed his appearance by shaving his beard off and shaving the hair from his head off. Detective [REDACTED] and I interviewed Randall Fox. I read Fox his Miranda Rights. Fox told Detective [REDACTED] and I he understood his rights. I asked Fox if he was willing to speak with us about the disappearance of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Fox told us he was willing to speak with us.

During this interview, other detectives made contact with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are the sons of Randall Fox. During this interview we were told that both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] told detectives they had seen Fox with a black handgun. [REDACTED] told Detective [REDACTED] that about a year ago he had seen his father, Randall, with a black handgun that was in a green fanny pack. [REDACTED] told Detective [REDACTED] that he had seen

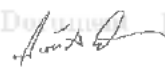
his father, Randall, was in possession of a black 9mm handgun on 5/7/24 and that it was in a green fanny pack. (a spent 9mm casing was found at the crime scene)

During this interview, Randall told us he had arrived at the Ridgemont house around 5am by foot. Randall told us he woke up [REDA] to make sure [REDA] was on time for school. Randall told us he walked [REDA] out the front door and watched [REDA] leave for school. These statements were in conflict of what [REDA] had told us. Randall told us he left the house on the 8th around 8am to go for a walk. Randall told us he returned around 1pm. Randall told us when he returned home he did not see anything out of place. Randall told us he knows that [REDA] was at school til about 2pm on the 8th. Randall told us his son, [REDA], was at work from about 10am to about 2pm. Randall told us the hole in the wall in front of the doorway had been there before and was caused by [REDA] walker. During this interview Randall told us he had cleaned up various places in the house, in particular the front entry way area.

During this interview Randall told us that we didn't believe him because "he didn't ask them where they were going and he didn't know they were in the basement dead". Prior to this Randall had asked us several times where the bodies were at in the house because he didn't know. Detective [REDA] and I to this point had never mentioned to Randall where in the house the bodies had been found.

- 3. For the issuance of a warrant in a misdemeanor case, complete the following
  - (a) I believe that the defendant will not appear in court in response to a criminal summons because:
    - Randall Fox shot two people, attempted to cover up the crime, then changed his appearance in a possible attempt to avoid apprehension
  - (b) I believe that the defendant poses
    - (1) a danger to a crime victim because
      - Fox was arrested for the murder of two family members
    - (2) a danger to the community or to any other person because
      - Unknown

SCOTT A DECKER  
Date: 05/23/2024

  
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Signature  
(re: CPD Case #2024-004191)