

ARRAIGNMENT REPORT AND AFFIDAVIT

Warrantless Arrest

JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF Middletown

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CASE/INCIDENT NO	ARREST DATE	ARREST TIME	PLACE OF ARREST
2100012727	03/29/2021	14:40	Middletown
ACCUSED (Last, First, MI)	DOB	PREVIOUS RECORD	
Scherp, Randolph Julius			
ADDRESS	15 Pleasant St 31 Middletown, CT 06457		

Charges

1: 53a-167c (ASSLT PB SFTY/EMT/TRANST/HLTH)	2: 53a-181 (BREACH OF PEACE 2ND DEG)
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On 3/29/21, at approximately 14:40 hours, I, Officer Foss-Rugan was traveling west on Court Street towards Main Street. As I approached the intersection of Court Street and Main Street, I observed two white males walking North on Main Street. The two males appeared to be in a heated verbal argument. At that time, Sgt. Baboolal who was working as the front desk supervisor announced that there was fight at Main Street and Court. I advised dispatch that I was out with the fight and requested more units to respond.

As I was attempting to detain one of the males, the other involved male who was later identified as Randolph J. Scherp kept walking towards me. Scherp was in the middle of the crosswalk on Court Street by Main Street and was continually yelling, "I'm going to kill you Larry!" to the male I was trying to detain. I gave numerous commands to Scherp to back away from me and to not come towards me for my safety. Scherp had his fists clenched and was presenting as if he wanted to fight. Scherp had his focus on me and was becoming more and more agitated. Scherp began punching himself numerous times in the side of the head while screaming.

At that time, Officer Capozzo ran from the police station to assist me. Officer Capozzo was able to get Scherp down to the ground. Officer Capozzo and I continued to struggle with Scherp who was not listening to my commands to put his hands behind his back. Eventually with the assistance of other officers, we were able to handcuff him.

The other involved person told me he saw Scherp down by Metro Spirits. Scherp owed him \$10.00 and the other involved person suggested to repay him, he go into Metro Spirits and buy him a drink. Scherp became upset with him and was trying to fight him. The other involved person said that he left the area and

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Signed: /OFC. CHRISTINA FOSS-RUGAN/

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Signed /SGT. NICHOLAS D BABOOLAL/

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when he walked past the police department, Scherp came out of the police department where he tried to fight him again.

Sgt. Baboolal said that Scherp came into the police department and was very upset and wanting to file a complaint against another person. Scherp then ran out the front door to go look for the other person. Scherp admitted that he exited the police department to again approach him.

Scherp said that he owed the other involved person money and he was punched by him. Scherp said he became very upset and went to the police department to file a report. Scherp admitted he saw the other involved person walk by the police department at which time he exited the front doors to engage him.

I told Scherp that he should have never left the police department when he saw him walking by the police department. I told him that instead of starting the argument again, he should have told the desk officer so that it could be handled.

Scherp was issued a Misdemeanor Summons for 53a-181- Breach of Peace 2nd and 53a-167c- Interfering with an officer. A court date of 6/14/2021 at 09:00 hours at Middlesex Superior Court was issued.

The clerk at Metro Spirits said he heard an argument outside the store. The clerk said that he saw Scherp going at the other involved person and that Scherp appeared to be agitated. The clerk said that it looked like Scherp was trying to fight.

On 4/2/2021, I made telephone contact with [redacted] Legee told me that on 3/29/2021, he gave Scherp a ride down to Metro Spirits. [redacted] said when Scherp exited the vehicle, he heard another guy yell to Scherp that he was not coming over there and that he owed him money. [redacted] said that the other involved person was standing in front of the entrance door to Metro Spirits and that Scherp continued to walk towards the entrance door. [redacted] said that from his view point, he could see the other involved person swing his arm like he was trying to punch Scherp. Legee said he could not confirm if Scherp was punched because he could not see from his view. [redacted] said that he yelled to Scherp numerous times to get back into his car but Scherp would not return. [redacted] said he left the area because he did not want to be involved in it.

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CASE/INCIDENT NO 2100013693	ARREST DATE 04/03/2021	ARREST TIME 16:53	PLACE OF ARREST Middletown
ACCUSED (Last, First, MI) Lefevre, Kimberly	DOB	PREVIOUS RECORD	
ADDRESS 3209 Claro Manchester, CT 06042			

Charges

1: 38a-371 (FLR TO INSURE PRIVATE MTR VEH)

On 4/3/2021 at 1653 hours, I (Ofc. Capozzo) was traveling E/B on Country Club Road in the area of Moody Elementary School, when I observed a gray Maserati Ghibli traveling W/B, cross over the double yellow line and enter my lane. I quickly swerved to avoid a head on collision, and subsequently initiated a motor vehicle stop with the Maserati.

I met with the operator and owner, Kimberly Lefevre, who failed to provide valid proof of insurance for the Maserati.

Kimberly was subsequently issued a Misdemeanor Summons for violating CGS: 38a-371 Failure to Insure a MV. She was also given a Verbal Warning for CGS: 14-236 Failure to Maintain Lane. Kimberly is scheduled to appear in court on 5/17/2021 at 0900 hours, Middlesex Superior Court (GA09).

End of report.

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Signed: /OFC. NICOLAS CAPOZZO/

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Signed /SGT. FREDERICK J DIRGA/ Auth: C.G.S.A. 1-24

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CASE/INCIDENT NO 2100009146	ARREST DATE 03/09/2021	ARREST TIME 19:30	PLACE OF ARREST Middletown
ACCUSED (Last, First, MI) O'BANNER, Matthew R	DOB	PREVIOUS RECORD	
ADDRESS 1 STIRLING CT MIDDLETOWN, CT 06457			

Charges

1: 53a-32 (VIOLATION OF PROBATION)

On 03/09/2021 at approximately 1836 HRS, Matthew O'Banner was arrest by warrant.

A Records Check and Interstate Identification indicated no previous convictions.

O'Banner was charged with violation of Connecticut General Statue (CGS) 53a-32 Violation of Probation. He was released on a \$1,500 Surety Bond and is scheduled to appear at GA9 Middletown Superior Court on 05/14/2021 at approximately 0900 HRS.

End of incident report.

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Signed: /OFC. KYLE R VAN ALMKERK/

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CASE/INCIDENT NO 2100009143	ARREST DATE 03/09/2021	ARREST TIME 19:30	PLACE OF ARREST Middletown
ACCUSED (Last, First, MI) O'BANNER, Matthew R	DOB	PREVIOUS RECORD	
ADDRESS 1 STIRLING CT MIDDLETOWN, CT 06457			

Charges

1: 21a-267(a) (USE OF DRUG PARA EXCPT<1/2 OZ)	2: 21a-277(b)+ (POSSESS W/INTENT TO SELL/DSPNS)
3: 21a-279(a)(1) (POS CON SUBST OR>1/2 OZ CANNIBIS)	

On 03/09/2021, Officer St. Peter and I (Officer Van Almkerk) were stationary in the area of 218 Smith Street monitoring east and west traveling traffic. At approximately 1836 HRS, I observed a white, 2010 Honda Accord, bearing CT Registration traveling east on Smith Street. When it approached our location, I observed the vehicle's headlights "dip" towards the asphalt as it drastically slowed. In doing so, the vehicle veered towards our location, crossing over the solid yellow lane dividers, prior to the operator being able to take corrective measures. This act is a violation of Connecticut General Statute (CGS) 14-236. As it passed our location, I observed the vehicle had dark tinted windows, in violation of CGS 14-99g(b). Although our vehicle's headlights were pointed directly at it, the window tinting was so dark, I was unable to see the operator, or possible occupants within the vehicle.

We followed the vehicle as it began to travel north on Westlake Drive and initiated a motor vehicle stop in the area of Highlands Crescent. When I approached the passenger side of the vehicle, I immediately smelled the strong and distinct odor of fresh marijuana emanating from within the vehicle. I made contact with the operator, Charles Sprowl, and asked for his driver's license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance. The vehicle was also occupied by Matthew O' Banner, who was in the front seat. While gathering the requested documentation, I observed a large non-anatomical bulge in the area of O' Banner's waist line.

I requested O' Banner step out of the vehicle and once out I secured him in handcuffs. During the search of O' Banner's person, Officer St. Peter located a large clear plastic sandwich bag containing suspected to marijuana in the area of Sprowl's waist line. A further search revealed a clear tightly twisted plastic

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sandwich bag, commonly referred to as a "tear bag" containing suspected marijuana in O' Banner's pant leg. It appeared O' Banner attempted to conceal the suspected marijuana prior to our encounter.

During the search of the vehicle, I located five clear tightly twisted plastic sandwich bags containing suspected marijuana in the immediate vicinity of where O' Banner was seated. They were similar to the one found in O' Banner's pant leg. Also located were similar empty clear sandwich bags in the same area.

O' Banner was found not to be in possession of a Connecticut Medical Marijuana Certificate. He was acknowledge he did not have one.

Utilizing a NARC 8 Testing Kit, the suspected marijuana tested positive for the presence of THC, the active chemical in marijuana. The combined weight of the marijuana was 54.73 grams. For reference, there are 28 grams in an ounce.

The street value of the marijuana was determined to be \$1,100, if sold at \$20 per gram.

The amount of marijuana found was far more than a normal user would have in their possession, but is rather indicative of a person selling marijuana. Furthermore, how the marijuana was packaged is consistent with someone involved in the sale of drugs which has purchased marijuana in bulk and is utilizing the packaging material for the sale of smaller quantities.

A Check and Interstate Identification indicated no previous convictions.

O' Banner was charged with violation of CGS 14-279(a)(1) Possession of Controlled Substance, 21a-267(a) Illegal Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and 21a-277(b) Possession of Controlled Substance with Intent to Sell. O' Banner was released on a \$2,500 Non-Surety Bond and is scheduled to appear at GA9 Middletown Superior Court on 05/14/2021 at approximately 0900 HRS.

End of incident report.

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CASE/INCIDENT NO 2100007833	ARREST DATE 04/01/2021	ARREST TIME 17:30	PLACE OF ARREST Middletown
ACCUSED (Last, First, MI) Rousseau, Andrew E	DOB	PREVIOUS RECORD	
ADDRESS 699 S Main St Apt. 217 Torrington, CT 06790			

Charges

1: 53a-183 (HARASSMENT 2ND DEG)	2: 53a-62 (THREATENING 2ND DEG)
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On 04/01/2021 at approximately 1730 hours, Andrew Rousseau of Torrington, turned himself in to Middletown Police due to an active arrest warrant stemming from a family violence incident reported on 03/02/21. Rousseau was processed and released on a \$10,000.00 non-surety bond with the next available court date of 04/05/2021 at GA9 in Middletown.

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Signed: /OFC. KURT W SCRIVO/

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Signed /SGT. HEATHER STRICK/ Auth: C.G.S.A. 1-24

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARRAIGNMENT REPORT AND AFFIDAVIT

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CASE/INCIDENT NO 2100013794	ARREST DATE 04/04/2021	ARREST TIME 10:00	PLACE OF ARREST Middletown
ACCUSED (Last, First, MI) Vela, Eugenio	DOB	PREVIOUS RECORD	
ADDRESS 209 STONEYCREST DR MIDDLETOWN, CT			

Charges

1: 53a-223b(c)(1 (CRIM VIO OF RESTRAINING ORDER) 2: 53a-62 (THREATENING 2ND DEG)

On 04/04/2021 0927 hours, the Middletown Police Department responded to a residence in Middletown for a report of threatening comments made by Eugenio Vela 3rd

Upon arrival, Vela was outside the residence and calm. Vela would not answer any of my questions only repeatedly saying nothing is wrong. I spoke to Victim #1 who stated Vela suffers from Schizophrenia and she wants him to get help. Victim #1 stated on 04/04/2021 at approximately 0900 hours, she was woken up by Vela standing over her yelling. Vela yelled three times "I'll slap you." Victim #1 stated Vela had his fist balled and lunged at her as if to hit her. Vela then stated "I will kill you." Victim #1 stated Vela continued to yell at her for 30 minutes. Victim #1 was afraid Vela was going to hit her so she called the police. Victim #1 later provided me a signed sworn statement detailing the incident.

Further, I spoke to _____ who lives in the basement of the residence. _____ stated he heard Vela yelling at Victim #1 for an extended amount of time. _____ stated he heard Vela yell at Victim #1 "I'll slap the shit out of you. I'll kill you." _____ stated he was afraid for Victim #1's safety. Lombardo initially said he would provide a signed sworn statement however later decline to provide one.

A check with dispatch revealed a restraining order naming Victim #1 the protected person and Vela as the respondent (Defendant). The Restraining Order was issued on 02/04/2021 and expired on 02/04/2022. The terms and conditions of the order were; Surrender or transfer all firearms and ammunition. Do not assault, threaten, abuse, harass, follow, interfere with, or stalk the protect person (CT01).

Based on the information obtained, Vela was placed under arrest and transported back to HQ. Vela was

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Signed: /OFC. MARK S KOMINSKE/

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processed and held on a \$5,000 surety bond. Vela was charged with CGS 53a-223b(c)(1) Criminal violation of a restraining order and 53a-62 Threatening 2nd Degree. Vela was scheduled to be presented at GA 09 on 04/05/2021.

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CASE/INCIDENT NO 2100013865	ARREST DATE 04/05/2021	ARREST TIME 01:09	PLACE OF ARREST Middletown
ACCUSED (Last, First, MI) Petuska, Michael T	DOB	PREVIOUS RECORD	
ADDRESS 83 Fowler AVE Apt. 2FL Middletown, CT 06457			

Charges

1: 53a-182 (DISORDERLY CONDUCT)	2: 53a-61 (ASSAULT 3RD DEG)
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On 04/05/2021 at approximately 0108 hours I, Officer Sinclair responded to an undisclosed location on the report of an assault. Dispatched stated that the victim was punched in the face by Michael Petuska
Officer D. Woolard was the assisting officer.

Upon arrival, I spoke to Victim 1 who was the only one inside of her apartment at this time. Victim said that she and Petuska (boyfriend) were hanging out drinking Vodka prior to engaging in a physical altercation. Victim 1 said that the altercation ensued, because Petuska was jealous because she invited her friend over for Easter diner. Victim 1 said that after left the apartment, Petuska called her a slut. Victim 1 said that she gave Petuska the finger, spit in his face and told him to leave the apartment. Victim 1 said that Petuska punched her in the face twice and she pulled some of his hair out in self defense prior to him leaving the apartment. In viewing the area's on Victim 1 's body that were not covered by clothing, displayed a large red swelling, in the area of her jaw closest to her lips. Officer, D. Woolard and myself offered medical attention numerous times on separate occasion, however declined each time.

Officer Woolard and I located, Petuska sleeping in the in the area of Mill Street, where I spoke to Petuska. Petuska confirmed that he and Victim 1 were drinking Vodka at the above mentioned apartment earlier on this night. Petuska said that he had called Victim 1 a slut on 4/4/21 and since then Victim 1 had been telling him to leave the apartment but he refused to do so because he had nowhere else to go. Petuska said that on 4/5/21 as they continued to drink Victim 1 spit on him and attacked him. Petuska said that Victim 1 pulled his hair and he grabbed her hands to prevent her from hitting him. When question

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about the injury to face, Petuska denied hitting Victim 1 and stated that the injury to face may have been a result of him attempting to grab Victim 1's hands to prevent her from hitting him. Petuska alleged that Victim 1 caused the injury to her own face. In viewing the areas on Petuska's body that were not covered by clothing, Petuska displayed minor red scratch marks to his forearms, which indicated that he may have been scratched during the altercation. Petuska did not claim any additional injury and declined medical attention while when offered.

Based on the severity of the injury to Victim 1's face, it was determined that Petuska was the dominant aggressor for his role in this incident. Due to the above facts and circumstances, it was determined that Petuska was in violation of the following Connecticut General Statutes: 53a-182 Disorderly Conduct and 53a-61 Assault 3rd Degree. Petuska was transported to headquarters where he was booked photograph, and processed. Petuska is being held on a \$5,000 surety bond and is scheduled a court date of 4/5/21 at GA-9, where he will answer to said charges.

Based on Victim 1's involvement in this incident, this investigation is pending further information for an arrest warrant for Victim 1.

Nothing further

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CASE/INCIDENT NO 2100013251	ARREST DATE 04/01/2021	ARREST TIME 16:16	PLACE OF ARREST Middletown
ACCUSED (Last, First, MI) Munford, Tyrone H	DOB	PREVIOUS RECORD	
ADDRESS 123 ROSE CIR MIDDLETOWN, CT 06457			

Charges

1: 53a-62 (THREATENING 2ND DEG)	
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On 4/1/2021 officers responded to a Middletown address for a report of an unwanted person.

Officers arrived on scene and met with VICTIM who stated her boyfriend, Tyrone Munford, sent her a text message saying he was going to "break her face" after arguing through text message. Officers observed a text message from a phone number linked to Munford which stated "Imma break ya face today."

Officers met with Munford who stated he got into a verbal argument with VICTIM because she has been trying to get him upset. Munford admitted to sending the message that stated "Imma break ya face today" and informed officers he said it out of frustration and had no plans to physically harm VICTIM. Munford was charged with violation of C.G.S. 53a-62 Threatening in the 2nd Degree and release on a Promise To Appear. Munford is scheduled to appear at GA9 court on 4/5/2021 at 0900hrs.

There was no criminal history found by Middletown Central Communications for Munford

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Signed: POFC. PAIGE WADE-WILLOUGHBY

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