

PEOPLE'S RESPONSE TO [D-84] DEFENDANT'S
MOTION TO SUPPRESS FRUITS OF ILLEGAL SEARCH – SEARCH WARRANT
FOR MARK REDWINE'S EMAIL ACCOUNT
[PUBLIC ACCESS]

COME NOW the People, by and through Christian Champagne, District Attorney in and for the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Colorado, respectfully requests this Honorable Court to deny, without a hearing, the defendant's motion to suppress fruits of illegal search—search warrant of for Mark Redwine's email account (D-84). AS GROUNDS for this motion, the People state as follows:

STATEMENT OF FACTS

1. On November 18, 2012, Dylan Redwine was 13 yoa, and flew to Durango for a court ordered visitation with the defendant for Thanksgiving. Several family members and friends reported that Dylan Redwine did not want to visit the defendant because of their strained relationship. The tension in their relationship was due, in part, to Dylan Redwine's knowledge of of the defendant, which later shown to trigger a violent response from the defendant. Friends reported that Dylan Redwine attempted to make arrangements with his friends to stay with them and to go to their house very early in the morning on November 19, 2012. Family members and friends reported that on November 18, 2012, that Dylan Redwine was in constant communication until approximately 9:37 pm, at which time all communications ceased.

- 2. On November 19, 2012, Dylan Redwine did not arrive at his friend's home at 6:45 am as planned, nor did any of his family members or friends receive any communication from Dylan Redwine. Later that afternoon, the defendant reported Dylan Redwine missing. A search and rescue effort was initiated and continued for several days and weeks
- 3. In June July 2013, some of Dylan Redwine's remains were found on Middle Mountain.
- 4. On February 7, 2014, Investigator Patrick Beyer submitted an affidavit and search warrant for email records for "for the time between November 15 19, 2012, to "determine what happened on the email account during the timeframe that Dylan went missing."

ARGUMENT

- 5. Considering the totality of the circumstances, an issuing court must "make a practical, common-sense decision whether, given all the circumstances set forth in the affidavit before him, there is a fair probability that contraband or evidence of a crime will be found in a particular place." *People v. Pennebaker*, 714 P.2d 904, 907 (Colo 1986).
- 6. To support a search warrant, probable cause must be based upon reasonableness and not mathematical certainty. *People v. Atley*, 727 P.2d 376, 378 (Colo. 1986).
- 7. To determine if there is underlying facts or circumstances that are sufficient to support a search warrant, a reviewing court "must only look within the four corners of the affidavit." *People v. Padilla*, 511 P.2d 480, 482 (Colo. 1973); citing *People v. Brethauer*, 482 P.2d 369 (Colo 1971).
- 8. On November 5, 2018, the Colorado Supreme Court once again held that the probable cause determination must be based upon facts contained "within the four corners of the affidavit" submitted in support of the search warrant. *People v. Cox*, 2018 CO 88 (Colo. Nov. 5, 2018); citing *People v. Gallegos*, 251 P.3d 1056, 1064 (Colo. 2011). The probable cause determination is generally given "great deference" and "any doubts must be resolved in favor of the magistrate's probable cause determination." *Id.*; citing *People v. Hebert*, 46 P.3d 473, 481 (Colo. 2002).
- 9. The search warrant requested "all information stored digitally or magnetically, any images, messages, along with the SHA values (Secure Hash Algorithm) Geo Coding (Longitude and Latitude) and image or message time and date stamps. For the date of 11/18/12 1200 pm through 11/19/12 at 1200pm. The search warrant was based upon the four corners of an affidavit that Dylan Redwine was reported missing on November 19, 2102, when the defendant claims he returned home from running errands to find Dylan Redwine and his phone missing. (See People's Exhibit 1: Search Warrant and Affidavit)

- 10. The defendant misstates the affidavit which does not include any references to "Mr. Henderson."
- 11. To determine whether a search warrant is too general, the nature of the property to be seized must be considered. *People v. Lindholm*, 591 P.2d 032, 1035 (Colo. 1979); *citing People v. Lamirato*, 504 P.2d 661 (1972).
- 12. In his motion, the defendant does not provide the entire context of the affidavit in support of search warrant, and therefore, misstates it.
- 13. For clarification, in addition to the paragraph included in the defendant's motion, the affiant included a summary of the significant search efforts, numerous interviews, searches of numerous electronic devices and social media sites, the fact that some of Dylan Redwine's remains were founds, inconsistencies with the defendant's statements, including other investigation that showed that the defendant's devices were being accessed during the night of November 18, 2012.
- 14. When considering the totality of the circumstances contained within the four corners of the search warrant and affidavit together, there is probable cause to support the search warrant.
- 15. **Deny Without a Hearing**: Finally, the motion should be denied because "the affidavit must be afforded 'a presumption of validity." *People v. Cox*, 2018 CO 88 (Colo. Nov. 5, 2018); citing *People v. Kerst*, 181 P.3d 1167, 1171 (Colo. 2008). The defendant has not alleged "the affiant's good faith is at issue", which is the only circumstance that a "veracity hearing" could be held. *People v. Cox*, 2018 CO 88 (Colo. Nov 5. 2018); citing *People v. Flores*, 766 P.2d 114, 118 (Colo. 1988). To warrant a veracity hearing the motion to suppress must satisfy two conditions: (1) it must be supported by at least one affidavit that reflects there is a "good faith basis for the challenge," and (2) it must identify with specificity the "precise statements" being challenged. *Id.*: citing *People v. Dailey*, 639 P.2d 1068, 1075 (Colo. 1982). The defendant has not alleged, therefore, has not established the conditions necessary to have a hearing.

WHEREFORE, the People request this Honorable Court deny, without a hearing, the defendant's motion to suppress fruits of illegal search – search warrant of Mark Redwine's email account, because a common sense review based upon the totality of the circumstances contained within the four corners of the search warrant and affidavit establishes probable cause.

Respectfully submitted this November 13, 2018.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 13, 2018, I delivered a true and correct copy of the foregoing to the parties of record via e-service.

/s/ Christian Champagne Christian Champagne