

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
) ss.
COUNTY OF ST. FRANCOIS)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY, MISSOURI

No: _____

APPLICATION FOR SEARCH WARRANT

Officer [Author], a commissioned law enforcement officer with the Sample Police Department, being duly sworn, deposes and states upon information and belief that heretofore the following described material, contraband, that constitutes evidence of a crime, to-wit:

Possession of Child Pornography. Evidence of said crime is being held and kept in the County of St. Francois, State of Missouri, located at and described as follows:

Any messages to the minor child A.B., photographs or videos of a sexual or explicit nature involving genitalia or children, Internet browsing history, any text or voice communication logs with victim phone number 555-555-5555, and social media account identifiers, all located on a black Apple iPhone 10 (S/N: 123456789) and a gray Dell Inspiron 5400 laptop (S/N: 987654321) belonging to John Q. Public, both of which are held and kept in the evidence locker at the Sample Police Department.

That the basis of Affiant’s information and belief is contained in the attached affidavit of facts pertaining to said matter which affidavit is made a part hereof and is submitted herewith as a basis upon which this Court may determine if sufficient facts have been stated to show probable cause for the issuance of a search warrant.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner prays that a search warrant be issued as provided by law for the material identified above.

SIGNED: _____

TITLE: Officer, Sample Police Department

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY: _____

(Assistant) Prosecuting Attorney
St. Francois County, Missouri

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of March, 2025.

JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
24th Judicial Circuit
Division III

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
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COUNTY OF ST. FRANCOIS)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY, MISSOURI

NO: _____

AFFIDAVIT

Officer [Author], an officer with the Sample Police Department, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a duly commissioned law enforcement officer, and he has reasonable grounds to believe that the following materials described in the Complaint attached hereto is held and kept in the place described in the Complaint because:

1. I, John Sample, am a commissioned law enforcement officer with 10 years law enforcement experience.
2. On January 1, 2020, I began an investigation into allegations that John Q. Public had been exchanging sexually explicit messages with A.B., a minor child. The messages were being exchanged via text message and social media including Snapchat and Instagram.
3. An examination of A.B.'s phone revealed 5 photographs of a penis and were sent from telephone number 555-555-5555. After serving Verizon Wireless with a subpoena for subscriber information, 555-555-5555 was revealed to be the number associated with John Q. Public's wireless phone account.
4. A review of A.B.'s Instagram account revealed sexually explicit messages with another account identified as "public.Q55". The messages include requests for nude photos of A.B., as well as solicitation of sexual acts.
5. An investigative subpoena served to Facebook Inc., owner of Instagram, revealed that the account "public.Q55" is associated with John Q. Public.
6. In an interview with John Q. Public under Miranda, he admitted to having conversations of a sexual nature with A.B. but denied any images were exchanged or favors asked.
7. John Q. Public denied consent to search his cell phone and laptop for photographs or messages.
8. John Q. Public's cellular phone and laptop were both seized. It is my belief that evidence pertaining to Possession of Child Pornography, Enticement of a Child,

and Furnishing Pornographic Material to a Minor will be found on these devices.

AFFIANT: _____ DATE: 3/14/2025
[Author]

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of March, 2025.

JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
24th Judicial Circuit
Division III
Farmington, Missouri

SEARCH WARRANT

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
DIVISION ____

NO: _____

THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO ANY PEACE OFFICER IN THE STATE OF MISSOURI:

WHEREAS, a complaint in writing duly verified by oath has been filed with the undersigned Judge of this Court, stating upon information and belief that heretofore the following described materials, that constitutes evidence of the commission of a criminal offense, to wit:

Possession of Child Pornography. Evidence of said crime is being held and kept in the County of St. Francois, State of Missouri, located at and described as follows:

Any messages to the minor child A.B., photographs or videos of a sexual or explicit nature involving genitalia or children, Internet browsing history, any text or voice communication logs with victim phone number 555-555-5555, and social media account identifiers, all located on a black Apple iPhone 10 (S/N: 123456789) and a gray Dell Inspiron 5400 laptop (S/N: 987654321) belonging to John Q. Public, both of which are held and kept in the evidence locker at the Sample Police Department.

WHEREAS, the Judge of this Court from the sworn allegations of said complaint and from the supporting affidavit filed therewith has found that there is probable cause to believe the allegations of the complaint to be true and that there exists probable cause for the issuance of a search warrant herein:

NOW THEREFORE: these are to command you that search the said property above described within ten (10) days after the issuance of this warrant and take with you, if need be, the power of your county, and if said above property or any part thereof be found in said property by you, seize the same and take the same by you in the presence of the person from whose possession the same is taken, if possible, with a copy of this warrant, or if no person be found in possession of said property, leaving said warrant and said copy of the inventory thereof and with your return to this Court to be herein dealt with in accordance with the law.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 14th day of March, 2025.

JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

24th Judicial Circuit

Division III

Farmington, Missouri

RETURN AND INVENTORY

NO: SW _____

I, _____, being a peace officer within and for the aforesaid county, to wit: _____, do hereby make and return to the above on the ____ day of _____, 2025 and within ten days after issuance of said warrant, I went to the location and premises described therein, and that upon said premises I discovered the following property/material described in the warrant which I then and there took into my possession:

that I made this inventory in the presence of the person from whose possession I took said property/material [that there was no person present from whose possession said property/material was taken]; that I delivered to such person a receipt from that property/material taken, together with a copy of this warrant [that there being no person in possession of said property/material present on said premises, I left a copy of this warrant together with a receipt from the property/material taken, in a conspicuous place on said premises]; that I have now placed said property/material so taken in the possession of the Court.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Clerk of Said Court