

**LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
DECLARATION OF ARREST REPORT**

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County Jail City Jail Adult Juvenile Bureau: HSCB

ID# 2866295		EVENT # LLV210500021341		ARRESTEE'S NAME (LAST) RHODES			(FIRST) TERRELL		(MIDDLE) TAVORIS		SSN# [REDACTED]
RACE B	SEX M	DOB [REDACTED] 1993		HGT 5'01"	WGT 155	HAIR BLK	EYES BRO	POB LAS VEGAS			
ARRESTEE'S ADDRESS 3684 PARADISE							STREET		CITY LAS VEGAS	STATE NV	ZIP CODE 891969
OCCURRED DATE: 5/5/2021		TIME: 05:00		ARREST DATE: 5/11/2021		TIME: 13:30		LOCATION OF ARREST (NUMBER, STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE) 400 S MARTIN LUTHER KING LAS VEGAS NEVADA			
LOCATION OF CRIME (NUMBER, STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE) 3684 PARADISE RD J3107 LAS VEGAS NEVADA 89169											
CHARGES / OFFENSES PC - LVJCR - 50005 - F - MURDER, 1ST DEGREE											
CONNECTING REPORTS (TYPE OR EVENT NUMBER) REQ/WIT/ICR											

The undersigned makes the following declarations subject to the penalty of perjury and says: That I am a peace officer with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Clark County, Nevada, being so employed for a period of approximately 24 year(s).

That I learned the following facts and circumstances which lead me to believe that the above named subject committed or was committing the offenses above at the location of 3684 PARADISE RD J3107 LAS VEGAS NEVADA 89169 and that the offense(s) occurred at approximately 05:00 hours on the 5th day of May, 2021.

Details for Probable Cause:

On May 05, 2021, LVMPD officers responded to 3684 Paradise Road, Building J, Apartment 3107, Las Vegas, Nevada 89169 on two occasions regarding a missing child. Patrol Officers responded under LVMPD Event Number 210500019498 and again under 210500021341. Officers contacted Terrell Rhodes (Terrell), who lived at the address with his girlfriend Tayler Nicholson (Tayler) and her 2-year-old son, Amari Nicholson (Amari).

On April 30, 2021, Tayler took an unexpected trip to Colorado to assist her mother due to a recent injury. Tayler left her son Amari with Terrell at the apartment complex in Las Vegas. During the trip, Tayler and Terrell argued over telephone calls and through text messages. During a particular text argument on 05-03-21 at approximately 0335 hours, Tayler indicated the relationship was over and she told Terrell someone would be stopping by the apartment later today (05-03-21), apparently to collect her belongings.

However, two days later May 05, 2021, at approximately 0600 hours, Terrell reported an unidentified female came to the apartment. The unknown female told Terrell she was there to pick-up Amari, and Tayler had arranged it. After giving Amari to the unknown female Terrell contacted Tayler in Colorado, who indicated she had not made plans for anyone to pick Amari up and no one should have him.

Tayler called 9-1-1 from Colorado to report her son Amari had been kidnapped in Las Vegas under the incident (210500019498). Patrol officers responded, however, due to the initial information being received of a potential family abduction, the officers cleared the call as a civil matter over a possible child custody dispute.

Tayler immediately returned to Las Vegas and arrived on May 05, 2021. Tayler called 9-1-1 again (210500021341) to report her son Amari was kidnapped. Patrol Officers and Patrol Division (PD) Detectives responded to conduct a second investigation, as Amari had still not been located.

Patrol Officers and PD Detectives reached out to several members from Amari's biological father's family to locate missing Amari Nicholson. Family members denied being involved in the possible abduction of Amari and residences were searched in Las Vegas, Reno, and Southern California. Amari was not located.

PD Detectives obtained a telephonic search warrant to search for forensic evidence inside the apartment (J-3107) as well as the seizure of Tayler and Terrell's cellular telephones and requested homicide detectives respond to assist.

Wherefore, Declarant prays that a finding be made by a magistrate that probable cause exists to hold said person for preliminary hearing (if charges are a felony or gross misdemeanor) or for trial (if charges are misdemeanor).

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On 05-06-21, Homicide Detectives Sanborn and Deeds were assigned to conduct the follow-up investigation into the alleged abduction of Amari Nicholson. Homicide detectives responded to the scene at 3684 Paradise Road and received a briefing from the PD Detectives.

Homicide detectives and crime scene analysts processed the apartment for physical evidence. A sample of the blood on the west bedroom wall was recovered. A plastic bag with soiled children's clothing was recovered from the closet. Fingerprints were recovered on the inside and outside of the front door. For complete details refer to the crime scene investigations report.

On 05-11-21, Homicide Detectives Sanborn and Deeds interviewed Terrell Rhodes at LVMPD Headquarters. Terrell was advised of his Miranda Rights and stated "Yes" when asked if he understood. Terrell agreed to take a polygraph examination. Terrell was advised of his Miranda Rights a second time and acknowledged he understood. After the examination, Detectives Sanborn and Deeds interviewed Terrell, where he related the following:

On 05-05-21 at approximately 0430 hours, Amari urinated in his clothing several times. Terrell was upset and struck Amari approximately three to four times in the body with a closed fist. At some point, Amari turned blue and purple in the face and stopped breathing. Terrell laid Amari on the floor and attempted cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) but was unable to revive Amari. Terrell carried Amari's lifeless body out of the apartment and disposed of Amari at a different location.

Due to the above facts and circumstances, Terrell Rhodes was arrested for First Degree Murder, NRS 200.030.1, for the murder of Amari Nicholson under LVMPD Event number 210500021341.

***** **End** *****

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Here, because the record(s) you seek contain confidential personal identifying information, they have been redacted.