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T.C.S.O. Incident Number: 23-2840329

AFFIDAVIT FOR WARRANT OF ARREST AND DETENTION

THE UNDERSIGNED AFFIANT, WHO AFTER BEING DULY SWORN BY ME, ON OATH, MAKES THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

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I HAVE GOOD REASON TO BELIEVE AND DO BELIEVE THAT <u>ARMSTRONG, KAITLIN MARIE W/F</u> <u>11/21/1987</u> ON OR ABOUT THE 11TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2023 DID COMMIT THE OFFENSE OF:

> Escape / Causing Bodily Injury PC § 38.06 (FELONY 2nd DEGREE)

Your Affiant is Detective Jennifer Boland #4932 and is commissioned as a peace officer by the Travis County Sheriff's Office since 2012. Your Affiant is a detective assigned to investigate major crimes. Your Affiant has the experience of being involved with and supervising numerous criminal investigations and has received specialized training to conduct such investigations. Your Affiant currently holds a Master Peace Officer Certification through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

Your Affiant was assigned to investigate Travis County Sheriff's Office incident # 23-2840329 and has reviewed incident reports and statements provided by corrections officers.

On 10/11/2021 around 0800 hours, Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) Corrections Officer Benjamin Castruita #3984 and Rosalba Johnson #4806 were conducting an inmate medical transport for an offsite medical appointment to Ascension Orthopedics located 3707 South 2nd Street, Austin, Travis County, Texas when the inmate they were transporting escaped on foot. The inmate was identified as follows,

Armstrong, Kaitlin Marie W/F DOB 11/21/1987 Booking # 22-13299

Armstrong is an inmate currently incarcerated on a Federal Detainer at the Travis County Sheriff's Office Correctional Complex for Murder.

Officer Johnson and Officer Castruita advised inmate Armstrong intentionally and knowingly fled on foot as they exited the rear entry doors of the doctors office. Officer Rosalba and Officer Castruita were wearing TCSO issued uniforms and gave inmate Armstrong verbal commands to stop. Inmate Armstrong refused to obey their lawful order to stop and a foot pursuit ensued.

Officer Johnson advised during the foot pursuit, inmate Armstrong attempted to scale a 6-foot fence. Officer Johnson pulled inmate Armstrong down causing both to fall to the ground. Officer Johnson advised inmate Armstrong immediately got to her feet and began to flee again.

Inmate Armstrong continued to flee running approximately 1 mile, disregarding the officer's verbal commands and audible sirens from multiple responding units. During the escape, Officer Johnson and Officer Castruita suffered bodily

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injury to their arms and knees causing them visible injuries and pain while they both attempted to capture inmate Armstrong as she fled.

During the foot pursuit, Officers advised inmate Armstrong removed her county issued black and white striped uniform pants, which revealed she was wearing thermal pants underneath in an effort to disguise her appearance as an inmate. Inmate Armstrong was also able to manipulate her left hand from the hand restraints to assist in her attempted escape.

During the investigation of the escape, video footage from the Travis County Correctional Complex (TCCC) was reviewed which showed inmate Armstrong exercising vigorously throughout the last several months. Inmate Armstrong can be seen running, doing squats, and yoga throughout her dayroom and recreation time.

During the investigation of the escape, inmate Armstrong's cell was searched by correctional staff, and a metal pen and dental floss were recovered from her cell. The metal pin had been broken off providing a solid thin metal piece that likely could be used to manipulate a handcuff to be removed.

During the investigation of the escape, Affiant received information from correctional staff at TCCC that inmate Armstrong had recently utilized an injury complaint to secure an outside medical appointment as well as a medical request restricting the use of leg restraints.

Due to recent activity of exercising vigorously, and complaints of injury to secure offsite medical appointments, and restrictions of leg restraints, Affiant has reason to believe and does believe inmate Armstrong planned to escape from custody.

Texas Penal Code 38.06 states that a person commits Escape if the person intentionally or knowingly escapes from custody when the person is in custody pursuant to a lawful order of a court and when the actor causes bodily injury to effect their escape. Therefore, Affiant has cause to believe and does believe **Kaitlin Marie Armstrong** committed the offense of Escape/ Causing Bodily Injury (2nd Degree Felony).

THE ABOVE INCIDENT OCCURRED IN TRAVIS COUNTY TEXAS

AFFIANT IS A LICENSED PEACE OFFICER EMPLOYED AS A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR ASSIGNED TO THE CENTRAL COMMAND OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Detective: Jennifer Boland #4932

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME BY THE SAID AFFTANT ON THIS THE day of _____2023.

MAGISTRATE TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

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(TEXAS PEACE OFFICER)

ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2023, I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE I HAVE EXAMINED THE FOREGOING AFFIDAVIT AND HAVE DETERMINED THAT PROBABLE CAUSE EXISTS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF AN ARREST WARRANT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL ACCUSED THEREIN.

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 ² Justice of the Peace, Pct. 5 Travis County, Texas