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**AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE FOR ARREST WARRANT**

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**I, Detective Mark O’Harold Jr, of lawful age and being first sworn upon oath, state that I have probable cause for believing that:**

**Michael Shannel Jefferson**

**Black Male, 6’0”, 185 LBS, Brown Hair, Brown Eyes**

**DOB 03/26/1957**

Did commit the crime(s) of:

|                       |                                   |              |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>18-3-102(1)(a)</b> | <b>Murder in the First Degree</b> | <b>C-1-F</b> |
| <b>18-3-301(1)</b>    | <b>Kidnapping</b>                 | <b>C-1-F</b> |

On November 21<sup>st</sup>, 1985 between 6:45 am and 7:30 am, within Douglas County, State of Colorado, and as grounds therefore state as follows:

This affiant is a Detective with the Douglas County Sheriff’s Office and that the following information was obtained by me personally and from the official records of the aforementioned office:

Some of the information concerning the initial response is arranged in the chronological order for the ease of the read and not in the order the information was gained.

On January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 I was assigned to Douglas County Case 1985-03723 involving the Murder of Roger Dean, DOB 02/28/1934. I reviewed the copious amount of information contained within the case file that included but was not limited to, case reports, progress reports, autopsy reports, crime scene logs, handwritten notes, interview transcripts, evidence examinations, written statements, drawings, and items of evidence. As of the time of this affidavit after multiple searches, photographs of the scene have not been located.

I reviewed interviews with Doris Dean, DOB 09/20/1935, administered by investigator Dale Row with the Douglas County Sheriff’s Office and Larry Adkisson with the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney’s Office. I was able to learn the following information from what Doris told investigators:

Doris said on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 1985 at 6:30 am., Roger and she were at their residence located at 8266 BigHorn Court, Douglas County, State of Colorado. At about 6:45 am Doris woke up and Roger was getting ready to leave for work. After Doris woke, she went to the master bathroom to

take a bath. While Doris was taking a bath, Roger called out to Doris and asked Doris to come out of the bathroom. Doris responded to Roger and told Roger she was in the bathtub. Roger asked Doris again to come into the bedroom to watch what was on the television. Doris could see Roger from the bathtub and saw Roger sitting on the bed.

Doris put her robe on and walked out of the bathroom where she saw an unidentified subject standing near the dresser. The subject was wearing a Brown in color ski mask with red in color rings around the eyes. Doris described the subject as a male, that was between 5'09" and 5'10", slim build, and was wearing dark in color clothing. Doris saw a gun in the subject's hand, and it was pointed at Roger. Doris who is not experienced with firearms described the gun as a handgun with a long barrel that was black or blue in color.

The subject told Doris not to look at him. The subject told Roger to place duct tape over Doris' eyes and tie her up using the rope. Roger complied with the subject's order and attempted to tear off a piece of the tape, but he had difficulty. Roger used his teeth and tore off a piece and placed it over her eyes. After Doris' eyes were covered, she heard the subject tell Roger to tie her hands behind her back using the duct tape. Doris heard Roger ask the subject, "You're not going to hurt us?" and the subject replied, "Not if you do what I want." After Doris' hands were tied the subject told Doris to lay on the bed and she complied. Doris laid on her stomach and her hands were tied up with a rope. Doris said she believes it was the subject and not Roger who tied her hands.

Doris said the subject took Roger downstairs to the main level of the residence. Doris heard people speaking downstairs and believes one of the voices she heard was Roger's. After about fifteen minutes the subject returned to the bedroom and asked Doris how much money was in their savings account. Doris said the subject touched her on the shoulder and asked her if she was doing alright. The subject asked her if she had time to collect herself and asked again how much money she had in the account. At some point during this interaction Doris heard the subject going through her nightstand where her jewelry is located

Doris said her purse was on the bar next to the stairs and it had her credit cards, cash, their savings, and checkbook. Doris told the subject they had about \$30,000 dollars in their checking account.

Doris believed the subject left, and heard Roger tell the subject something was too tight. The subject replied to Roger, "This is no fucking picnic." Doris heard what appeared to be a physical altercation between Roger and the subject. Doris heard Roger say, "you son of bitch," and the subject said, "stop or I'll shoot you." Doris heard two gunshots and heard Roger yelling, "I'll give you the god dam thirty thousand." Doris heard someone scream and heard more gunshots.

Doris said she could see out of the bottom of the duct tape but had very limited visibility. Doris heard Roger screaming and ran down the stairs. Doris ran outside, and while she was running the duct tape fell off. Doris started screaming for help.

Carley Pfohl, DOB 05/02/1976 who lives at 8267 Sweetwater Road spoke to Investigator Dale Row. During Carley's interview she told Detective Row the following" Carley heard what

appeared to be two or three gunshots. Carley looked out her bedroom window and saw a black male struggling with Roger in the entryway of the residence. Carley heard two or three more gunshots and saw the unknown male subject put something in his coat pocket. Carley saw the black male run from the Dean residence and flee to a vehicle that was parked at the corner of Sweetwater Road and Bighorn Court. Carley said the vehicle peeled out when it left.

Carley was asked to provide a physical description of the subject. Carley described the male suspect's race as black, about 20 years of age, with a medium build, and about 6'1" in height. Carley indicated the male was wearing a black in color jacket and was wearing blue jeans.

Carley's mother Audrey Pfohl, DOB 01/15/1950 also spoke to Detective Row. Audrey said her son Ben told her there was someone screaming for help. Audrey went to her front door and heard someone screaming for help. Audrey looked outside and saw Doris on the street and saw Roger lying by the driveway of the Dean's residence. About the same time Audrey saw a bronze in color car driving east on Sweetwater Road. Audrey went over to the Dean's residence and Doris told her Roger was shot. Audrey went back into her residence where she called for help.

On November 21<sup>st</sup>, 1985 at 7:34 am., Leslie Meyer called the Douglas County Dispatch Center and reported she heard gun shots and there was a male subject down in the area of 8262 Bighorn Court, located within Douglas County, State of Colorado.

Law Enforcement Officers from the Douglas County Sheriff's Office responded to the scene and began the initial stages of their investigation. Douglas County Captain Michael Acree arrived and saw Roger and checked for a pulse or any signs of life and there was none. Acree indicated when medical staff arrived, he saw numerous gunshot wounds to the chest and abdomen of the male who was identified as Roger Dean. Acree reported he also saw white in color rope tied around Roger's right wrist.

Medical Personnel from the Castlewood Fire Protection arrived on scene and located Roger in the street in front of the residence. Roger was transported by ambulance to Swedish Medical Center located in Englewood Colorado. At 8:23 am, Doctor Steve Creer of Swedish Medical Center, pronounced Roger as dead. At Swedish Medical Center x-rays were taken of Roger by medical staff. Douglas County Detective Sergeant Delgado took possession of the x-ray images and at a later point relayed them to Doctor Ben Galloway.

On November 21<sup>st</sup>, 1985 at 10:40 am., Doctor Ben Galloway of the Douglas County Coroner's Office performed an autopsy on Roger. Douglas County Detective Gary Younger was present during the autopsy. I learned the following information from Detective Younger's report and Doctor Galloway's report:

Doctor Galloway performed the autopsy on Roger at the Andrews Mortuary located in Castle Rock. Doctor Galloway noted in his report that Roger sustained multiple gunshot wounds to the abdomen. Doctor Galloway indicated the gunshots resulted in lacerated liver, lacerated left, and right lung, lacerated small intestine, lacerated colon, and lacerated left kidney. Doctor Galloway also located bilateral hemothoraces, and hemoperitoneum in the abdomen area. Doctor Galloway

determined the cause of Roger's death was exsanguination secondary to multiple internal injuries related to multiple gunshot wounds.

During the autopsy Doctor Galloway took fingernail scrapings from Roger's left and right hand. Doctor Galloway was also provided X-Ray images that were taken at Swedish Medical Center. The image showed the presence of four bullets lodged in the chest cavity of Roger. The bullets were recovered from Roger's chest cavity and placed into evidence. The fingernail scrapings were released to Detective's and were also booked into evidence. It should be noted the X-Rays were released to Doctor Galloway and it is not known if they are available.

Doctor Galloway examined the clothing Roger was wearing when he was shot. Detective Younger was present and indicated during the examination the shirt showed what appeared to be five bullet entrance holes in the front of the shirt and only one exit hole at the back of the shirt. There was also an entry hole on the right cuff of the shirt.

Detectives and crime scene personnel from the Douglas County Sheriff's Office began processing the scene. Detective Kim Castellano arrived and assisted with processing the scene. I reviewed Detective Castellano's report and I learned the following information:

Near the gutter of the driveway Detective Castellano saw a pair a mens brown pants, a belt, white rope, blanket, a pair of brown loafers, and a blue in color blanket. It was determined later Roger was wearing the brown pants, belt, loafers, and had been restrained using the rope.

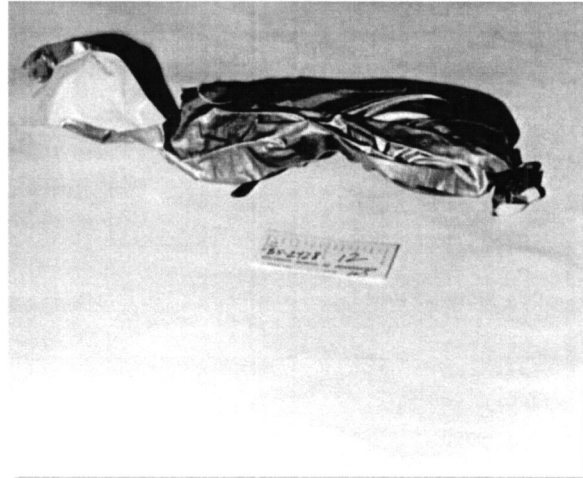
Detective Castellano entered the residence and saw blood on the exterior of the front door and on the interior of the door. Detective Castellano also saw what appeared to be blood on the curtains hanging on the inside of the door. Detective Castellano saw what appeared to be a hole in the door that was consistent with a bullet hole. Detective Castellano also saw a rug lying on the floor in the entryway and she saw what appeared to be blood on it. Detective Castellano saw a brown ski mask lying on the floor near the stairs adjacent to the living room.

Detective Castellano walked up the stairs to the second floor of the residence. Detective Castellano saw what appeared to be a bullet ricochet on the wood banister that caused the wood to chip. Once at the top of the stairs, Detective Castellano saw a billfold in the hallway and saw several credit cards next to it. Detective Castellano also saw a what appeared to be a button and dime in the hallway.

Detective Castellano walked down the hallway and came to a bedroom on her left and saw a chair next to a desk. Detective Castellano could see marks in the carpet where the chair had been, and it appeared to have been moved. Detective Castellano saw a pair of wire rimmed glasses next to the chair that were covered with duct tape. Detective Castellano saw a white button behind the chair near the desk.

Detective Castellano went into the master bedroom where she located a black in color vinyl backpack on the floor. Detective Castellano saw grey duct tape, rope, a knife, ace bandage, money, and a gold in color ring inside the backpack. The backpack and its contents are pictured below and was taken by CBI at their facility.





Detective Castellano, with the assistance of Evidence Technician Judy Steepleton, processed the scene and collected several pieces of evidence. Several items were collected from the residence by evidence technician Judy Steepleton. The items were booked into evidence at a secure facility. Some of the items in this affidavit do not represent an inclusive list of evidence recovered at the scene. Not all the items will be addressed in this affidavit.

Of those items the brown in color ski mask located in the living room by the stairs was tagged as item #40481 and was labeled as evidence item #26. Based on the statements of Doris the ski mask is believed to have been worn by the assailant who shot and killed Roger. The ski mask was similar and matched the description given my Doris. The ski mask recovered from the scene is pictured one the next page:



On December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1985 the ski mask evidence, item #26, was submitted to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation for testing. CBI provided an internal case number of D85-2428 and marked the

mask as their item #7. Laboratory Agent Peter Mang examined the mask and he located a light brown Caucasian head hair on the mask. Mang also found two facial hairs possibly being an eyebrow or eyelash hair. Mang also located what appeared to be a dog hair of family origin on the mask. Mang compared the hair sample found on the outside of the mask to a known sample of Roger's head hair and determined it was dissimilar to Roger's.

The evidence did not yield any viable subjects with the testing methods available at the time. The investigation also identified several leads that were followed up on by Detectives that did not yield any results. With the lack of leads developed the case went cold until it was re-examined by Douglas County Detective's in 2003. Detectives reviewed the evidence and consulted with CBI as to the use of DNA as it related to each item of evidence. It was determined the ski mask that was worn by the subject would be submitted to the Colorado Bureau of Investigations for DNA testing.

On February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2003 Laboratory Agent Matthew Murphy completed swabs of the ski mask. Agent Murphy took swabs from the eye and nose of the mask and marked that swab as Item #7-1. A swab of the area of the mouth was taken and marked as Item #7-2. Agent Murphy tested the Swab(s) for DNA using a Polymerase Chain Reaction and developed a DNA profile for the donor. Agent Murphy was able to determine the donor is a male. There were enough markers to enter the profile into the national database known as CODIS. The database was searched on 01/30/2003 and no hits were received.

On June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Detective Cirbo sent a DNA sample from the ski mask to Parabon Nanolabs. Parabon performed advanced DNA phenotyping and conducted a preliminary genetic genealogy analysis and provided the Douglas County Sheriff's Office with reports dated 10/12/2018 and 10/23/2018. Using the preliminary information provided in the reports, the Douglas County Sheriff's Office continued their genealogy investigation.

Detective Cirbo also received the Snapshot Phenotype Report from Parabon Labs labeled #DCSO-CO-8503723-Snapshot. The snapshot provided predictions based on the DNA sample from the ski mask. The snapshot predicted there is a 97.6% probability the subject's skin color is Brown or Dark Brown. The snapshot predicted there is a 99.9% probability the subject has Hazel or Brown Eyes. The snapshot predicted there is a 99.99% probability the subject has black hair.

The snapshot report and other reports were used by previous Detectives that allowed them to use the information from the profile to assist with investigative genetic genealogy. Analyst Michele Kennedy briefed me as to what investigative genetic genealogy entails. I learned investigative genetic genealogy combines the use of crime scene DNA with public genetic DNA testing and traditional genealogy to determine family relationships and predict where a suspect or unidentified person fits in a family tree. This information is compared to a database where a list of DNA matches is generated, and this list is used to build family trees of people related to the donor DNA.

Around November of 2020, Douglas County Sheriff's Crime Analyst Michele Kennedy was assigned to the Cold Case Unit. Analyst Michele Kennedy has training and experience related to genetic genealogy that uses DNA profiles to identify genetic matches to the DNA. Analyst

Michele Kennedy has attended several training classes and conferences pertaining to the subject matter of genetic genealogy. Analyst Michele Kennedy uses genetic genealogy in adoption cases where requests are made to identify birth parents, who are not known. Analyst Michele Kennedy has worked over 100 of these cases and has successfully identified approximately 75 birth parents using genetic genealogy.

Using traditional investigative methods, Analyst Michele Kennedy was able to narrow her investigation that the contributor's DNA is most likely be a son of Christine Brown Jefferson and Raymond Jefferson who are both deceased. Through public records such as Accurant and CLEAR, Analyst Michele Kennedy was able to gain information that Raymond and Christine were married in Caddo Louisiana on 12/01/1956. Using the CLEAR database Analyst Michele Kennedy learned Christine and Raymond had three children named, Michael Jefferson DOB 03/26/57, a daughter, and a son. The names of the daughter and son will not be included in this affidavit in the interest of privacy. Analyst Michele Kennedy requested a birth certificate for Michael that confirmed he is the child of Christine and Raymond.

Analyst Michele Kennedy spoke to Audrey Simkins at the Colorado Bureau of investigations and inquired if Michael's brother's DNA was in the CODIS database. Audrey indicated the brother's DNA had been entered in CODIS and it did not match the contributor DNA from the ski mask. Due to the brother's elimination, Analyst Michele Kennedy determined there was a high probability the DNA on the mask was Michael's.

Detectives and Crime Analysts began completing background information for Michael using resources such as CLEAR, NCIC, CCIC, Facebook, and general searches using the world wide web. During the background we were able to locate the following information: The information is arranged in chronological order and not in the order it was obtained.

Analyst Michele Kennedy requested any information the Denver Police Department had for Michael. Analyst Michele Kennedy received an entry for Michael from the Denver Police Department that was located within the Denver Police Departments database. A snapshot of Michael's contacts and records with Denver Police indicated he had registered four firearms ranging from 02/07/1985 to 06/13/1985. The record also listed arrests ranging from 08/26/1989 to 12/18/1993, for traffic related charges, disturbing the peace, false information, and trespass. Displayed below are Michael's contacts with the Denver Police Department that have been described above.

## Master Name Index Details

**NAME:** JEFFERSON, MICHAEL

**DOB:** 3/26/1957

| Date        | Number       | Description  | Name                        | DPD No  |
|-------------|--------------|--|-----------------------------|---------|
| GUN         | GUN REG NO.  |  |                             |         |
| 07-Feb-1985 | A006291      | MAKE: COLT, MODEL: CAR15, CALIBER: 223, SN: SP145879             | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL          |         |
| 19-Feb-1985 | A006296      | MAKE: COBRA, MODEL: M11, CALIBER: 9, SN: 840002840               | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL          |         |
| 06-Mar-1985 | A006302      | MAKE: MIN SHAN CAL 7.62X39, MODEL: PK9, CALIBER: 762, SN: 103756 | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL          |         |
| 13-Jun-1985 | A006393      | MAKE: UZI, MODEL: A, CALIBER: 9, SN: SA38756                     | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL          |         |
| PRR         | PRISONER NO. |  |                             |         |
| 29-Aug-1989 | 0620263      | MEDS: HBP, INJURIES: NONE VIS                                    | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL SHANNEL  | 0418781 |
| 18-Dec-1993 | 0824522      | MEDS: CLAIMS HYPERTENSION, INJURIES: NONE CLAIMED OR VISIBLE     | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL SHANNEL  |         |
| 04-Aug-1990 | 0663960      | MEDS: NONE, INJURIES: NONE VIS                                   | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL SHANNIEL | 0418781 |
| 27-Nov-1991 | 0726991      | MEDS: NONE CLAIMED, INJURIES: NONE CLAIMED OR VISIBLE            | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL S        | 0418781 |
| 27-Nov-1991 | 0726991      | MEDS: NONE CLAIMED, INJURIES: NONE CLAIMED OR VISIBLE            | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL SHANNIEL | 0418781 |
| 18-Dec-1993 | A133135      | MEDS: NONE CLAIMED, INJURIES: NONE CLAIMED OR VISIBLE            | JEFFERSON, MICHAEL SHANNEL  | 0418781 |

I completed a CLEAR report for Michael that detailed his listed addresses in Colorado. Based on my experience using CLEAR it is difficult to gain information from 1985. CLEAR also provides a disclaimer that CLEAR reports get information from sources such as utility listings, credit listings, and vehicle listings. I reviewed the report and saw the following addresses in Colorado were associated with Michael:


It should be noted the report is generated from various sources and it is not known as to the accuracy.

08/24/1991- 07/19/1992, 1439 Detroit Street Apt #2, Denver, CO 80206.  
 08/27/1992-08/28/1998, Po Box 460133 in Aurora CO 80046.  
 01/22/1992-01/24/2003, 952 Pontiac Street, Denver CO 80220.  
 03/24/1993-06/22/1993, 1811 S Quebec Way Apt#14, Denver CO 80231.  
 06/10/1993-04/21/2003, 1139 York Street Apt #101, Denver CO 80206.  
 01/01/1994-01/24/2003, 3537 N Garfield Street, Denver CO 80205.  
 01/01/1996-02-28-2015, 2952 N Vine Street, Denver CO 80205.  
 03/01/1999-10/18/2014, 2300 N Vine Street, Denver CO 80205.  
 07/19/2001-01/24/2003, 2212 Vine Street, Denver CO 80205.  
 12/01/2002-12/31/2002, 3049 N Race Street, Denver CO 80205.  
 01/12/2006-01/12/2006, 855 Dahlia Street Apt #6, Denver CO 80220.

The CLEAR report indicated on 09/25/1993 in Denver Colorado, Michael married Mary P. Coleman. The CLEAR report also listed common addresses for both Michael and Mary. It was discovered through records from the Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office, Michael and Mary were divorced in Louisiana in 2007.

I cleared Michael through Colorado Department of Revenue records and located Michael's drivers record. On 09/19/2005, Michael was issued a Colorado Driver's License that listed his

physical descriptors as, 5'10", 199 lbs., Brown Eyes, and Brown Hair. The record contained a photograph and it appears he is a black male. The listing is below.

| Colorado Driver's License   |                   |            |           |
|---|-------------------|------------|-----------|
|  | Number            | Sex        | DOB       |
|   | [REDACTED]        | Male       | 19870326  |
|   | Height            | Weight     | Expires   |
|   | 5' 10"            | 199 lbs    | 20100326  |
|   | Eye Color         | Hair Color | Issued    |
|   | BRO               | BRO        | 20080919  |
|   | SSN               |            | Class     |
|   | [REDACTED]        |            | NO        |
|   | Alias Name        |            | Alias DOB |
|   | MICHAEL JEFFERSON |            | 19870326  |
| Name and Mailing Address  | Type              | Status     | Class     |
| MICHAEL SHANUEL JEFFERSON<br>885 DAHLIA APT 8<br>DENVER, CO 80220-0000            | Non CDL           | ELIGIBLE   |           |
|   | CDL               | ELIGIBLE   |           |

Based on the totality of the information contained above it is plausible for Michael to have been in Colorado at the time Roger was murdered and it was decided he should not be eliminated as a subject of interest. It was decided a DNA sample would be obtained surreptitiously from Michael and compare it to the known DNA sample from the ski mask.

Detectives began their search to identify where Michael would be located to aid with obtaining a surreptitious sample. Through their research Detectives were able to locate three addresses of interest as to where Michael may be found. Detectives used various resources such as CLEAR, Los Angeles Police records, Homeland Security records, Louisiana Attorney General records, and CCIC/NCIC records.

Three addresses were identified as the most likely locations Michael may be found. Information gained from Special Agent Troy Whitehead from the Louisiana Attorney's Office I learned Michael's home address is 631 N Scott Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. I received information from records division at the Los Angeles Police Department, that Michael was stopped on 08/20/2020 in their jurisdiction. The records to include body worn camera footage, indicated Michael was driving a vehicle registered to Michael's sister in law, who resides at 18847 Lesser Street, Norwalk CA 90650. Additional information was learned though CLEAR that Michael's sister, lives in Los Angeles California. Michael's sister listed address is 631 W 109<sup>th</sup> Place, Los Angeles California.

All the primary jurisdictions for each of those addresses were contacted and asked if the use of a pole camera could be utilized. Each jurisdiction agreed and a pole camera was placed at each of the locations where the front door and street could be monitored.

I contacted Agent Marc Soto with the Department of Homeland Security and asked if they had any travel records for Michael. Agent Soto told me Michael has an extensive international travel history. Agent Soto provided me with a travel history starting on 01/01/2018 to 02/10/2021. The history revealed 44 international flights within that time period to include flights to or from, Shanghai, Las Americas, Hong Kong, Amsterdam, Paris, Chili, Spain, Reykjavik, Dublin, Panama, Rafael Nunez, London, Theodor Francis, and Hopkins International. Agent Soto advised me he would place a silent hit for any international travel for Michael. This hit would notify us three days prior to any flight internationally for Michael.



I spoke to a Law Enforcement liaison at Denver International Airport located in Colorado. I was provided with information that Michael would most likely be on an upcoming domestic flight. I was told Michael had scheduled a flight on Spirit Airlines and would be departing New Orleans (MCO) on 02/17/2021 at 6:50 pm CST. The flight was scheduled to take off from New Orleans and land in Los Angeles at LAX. I completed a search for flights using Spirit Airlines website revealed a matching flight #955 was departing from New Orleans and was traveling to Los Angeles.

On February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 8:04:54 a.m., I reviewed the pole camera that was placed in front of 631 W 109<sup>th</sup> Place. In the video I saw a subject leave the residence that matched the physical descriptors known for Michael. As the subject came closer to the camera, he appeared to be the same person from body worn camera footage from the traffic stop. Michael is seen in the video entering a black Chevy Cruz bearing California License Plate 6VAX112. It is known to this investigator the vehicle is registered to Raymond Jefferson (Deceased) who is Michael's father.



On February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 8:02 am., I contacted Sergeant Yanez with the Los Angeles Police department at LAX. I provided Sergeant Yanez with information for the Chevy Cruz to include the license plate. I asked Sergeant Yanez to check their system to see if the license plate has hit on any LPR units at the airport. Sergeant Yanez asked if I knew what airline Michael flew due to the parking complex at LAX is large. I told Sergeant Yanez it is possible Michael travels on Spirit Airlines. I provided Sergeant Yanez with my contact information.

At about 10:02 am., Sergeant Yanez called and said he contacted staff at Spirit Airlines. Sergeant Yanez told me on 2/14/2021, Michael had boarded a Spirit Airlines flight from Los Angeles to New Orleans Louisiana. Sergeant Yanez indicated Michael's return flight was scheduled to return on 02/17/2021 at 6:50 pm.

On February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at around 6:50 pm CST., Sergeant Joel White and Detective Trindle with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office were waiting at the gate where Spirit Airlines flight #955 was scheduled to depart. Sergeant White and Detective Trindle were provided with photographs of Michael and were able to positively identify Michael sitting at the gate. Detective Trindle and Sergeant White boarded the same Spirit Airlines flight as Michael. Sergeant White was seated

across from Michael and Detective Trindle was seated near the back of the plane. During the flight, detectives saw Michael drinking from a plastic water bottle. During the flight Michael discarded the water bottle by handing it to a female flight attendant to be placed in the trash. Detectives intercepted the disposal and collected the water bottle without Michael knowing. The item was booked into evidence upon their return.

On February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 I spoke to Carley and she reaffirmed what she had told investigators that day. Carley said she saw a black male running from the Dean's residence. Carley said she saw the male had a gun. Carley retraced the subject's path and said the male got into a vehicle parked on Sweetwater. Carley's account as to the path of the male's flight was the same as what was found on the scene that day. Carley was not provided any resources prior to meeting with her to refresh her memory and her account was what she remembered.

On February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 at 1:00 pm., I checked the item out of evidence, and it was relayed to the Colorado Bureau of Investigations for testing. On February 23, 2021 at 11:51 am, I received an email from CBI reference the testing. The report indicated the water bottle was given an item #63 and the swabs taken from the bottle were given an item #63.1. The report indicated a DNA profile was developed from item #63.1 (Water Bottle Swab) and compared to the DNA profile developed from item #7.2 (Ski Mask Swab). The report indicated the following:

***“The DNA profile developed from the swab from the mouth area of the mask (Item 7.2) indicates a mixture of two individuals. The major component is consistent with with the DNA profile developed from the water bottle (Item 63.1). Due to the limited amount of genetic information, the minor component is not suitable for comparisons.”***

***“The YSTR profile developed from the swab from the mouth area of the mask (Item 7.2) is consistent with the YSTR profile developed from the water bottle (Item 63.1). Therefore, the source of the YSTR profile from the water bottle and all of his paternal male relatives are not excluded as potential donors to this sample.”***

After speaking with Agent Woods from CBI the additional items of evidence submitted will be placed in their que for testing. Agent Woods indicated the lead time for the testing is 2-3 months due to their backlog.

While investigating this case, I reviewed the extortion of Doris Dean that occurred on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1990 Doris Dean received a letter in the mail at her home address of 9877 Greensview Circle, Littleton, CO 80124. The letter was addressed to Doris and contained information in the letter that would have only been known by Doris, Tammy, and Investigators. The first typed letter stated the following:

***“ MRS. DJ DEAN:***

***This is a very, very, important letter. Read it carefully, follow each instruction to the letter, and don not call the police. YOUR LIFE AND TAMMY'S DEPENDS ON HOW YOU CONDUCT YOURSELF.***

***DJ ON A COLD SNOWY MORNING IN NOV. OF 85 I HAD YOUR HUSBAND ROGER MURDERED. At this point you are probably frighten, and hoping this is some kind***

*of joke. Well you should be frighten be cause this is NO JOKE!! To prove to you who I am, I will recount some of the events that took place that morning;*

*1-You were in the tub when Roger and I came to get you.*

*2-I tied your hands and covered your eyes and laid you on your bed.*

*3-I took roger into Tammy's room, then I politely talked to you about your bank account.*

*4-Roger tried to escape while you and I were talking, I CAUGHT HIM!!*

*5- As you stood at the top of the stairs Roger refused to pay me the money he owes me. He tried to struggle I shot him 4-5 times to make sure he died.*

*6-I left my black bag which contained tape, rope, and a knife some of your jewelry also in the struggle I took off my ski mask so Roger would know who killed him and why.*

*7-I DIDNOT KILLYOU! Even knowing you could be a witness if we were ever caught (but that will never happen). By now you should realize that I am one of the two persons who came into your Lonetree Home with orders to kill Roger if he did not pay his debt. (You were right, there were 2 of us, not 1).*

*DJ, Do you know that I have met your daughter, Tammy on a few occasions. I have followed her to New York, Arizona, and Costa Mesa. She is a very attractive blond and a very good model. Do not make me KILL HER! If you go to the police or even mention this letter and what you are doing to Tammy, I will kill her. If you If you think the police or anybody else can stop me ask ROGER! Now that Tammy is home with you I can easily KILL HER when she leaves in the morning or goes out at night. But if you do what you are told you and Tammy will be left alone. But if you do not do EXACTLY what you are told. If you will wait until they can no longer protect her and KILLHER!! I F SHE LEAVES I CAN FIND HER! I know a all the places she can go. Do not make your daughter live a life on the run and in hiding hoping that she will not be killed that day! Do as I tell you and Tammy need never know of this. If you do not Tammy and you are DEAD!! IF YOU DONOT BELIEVE ME ASK ROGER!!!!*

*DJ I am a professional at what I do, my profession is a contract killing and loansharking. I killed you husband because he would not pay his loans from me to keep his business going and to finance his affairs he was having with certain women (I think you know of at least one affair he was having at work). When he took my money he knew that his life and his family's lives were in jeopardy. Now I am ready for you to pay this debt Mrs. Dean!!*

*Before I tell you how much I want, and how you will get the money to me. I want you to understand that I WILL KILL TAMMY, IF YOU FO TO THE POLICE (YOU ARE BEING WATCHED YOU KNOW!), OR DO NOT FOLLOW MY INSTRUCTIONS. AS YOU KNOW I AM CAPABLE OF COLD-BLOODED MURDER WITHOUT REMORESE OR BEING CAUGHT! ROGER PROVES THAT POINT. AND BEING HERE CLOSE TO TAMMY PROVES I CAN DO IT AGAIN!!!*

*BE SMART AND KEEP YOU DAUGHTER ALIVE. YOUR SONE IS DEAD, YOUR HUSBAND IS DEAD, DO NOT RISK YOUR DAUGHTER SHE IS THE LAST ONE LEFT. IF YOU GO TO THE POLICE I WILL WAIT UNTIL THEY CAN NO LONGER PROTECT HER AND KIL HER. I CAN FIND HER WHEREVER SHE IS. AND I AM PATIENT. DO NOT MAKE HER LIFE AND YOU'RE A LIVING HELL!!*

*She does not know that I have been following her for some time. I have talk to her on a couple of occasions at her job. She doesn't have a clue to who I really am. She quite an attractive blond. Please don't make me kill her. Do exactly what you are told and one day you will live to see your grandchildren. If you do not Tammy will be dead in two years of less and you will be dead in three!*

***YOU MAY ASK YOURSELF HOW DO I PROFIT IF YOU ARE NOT ALIVE TO REPAY ROGER'S DEBT. WELL YOUR FAMILY'S MURDERS WILL BE AN EXAMPLE TO ANYONE WHO FEELS THEY CAN GET AWAY WITHOU PAYING ME!! DON'T LET TAMMY AND YOUR LIFE BECOME AN EXAMPLE. I HOPE YOU DON'T WANT ME TOPAY TAMMY A VISIT! DO EXACTLY WHAT YOU ARE TOLD AND EVERYONE WILL COME OUT OF THIS INTACT. IF YOU DON'T TAMMY'S BLOOD WILL BE ON YOUR HANDS!! I HOPE EVERYTHING IS CRYSTAL CLEAR. IF NOT YOU HAD BETTER REREAD THIS LETTER.***

***MRS. DEAN YOUR HUSBAND OWES ME ONE-HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. THIS IS GREAT DEAL OF MONEY AND I WANT IT BACK! I KNOW YOU SOLD YOUR LONETREE HOME, SOLD THE BUSINESS, AND COLLECTED HIS INSURANCE TO NAME BUT A FEW SOURCES OF YOUR INCOME. I WANT MY MONEY BACK! MORTGAGE YOUR HOME, LIQUIDATE YOUR RETIREMENT FUND, CLOSE OUT YOUR SAVING ACCOUNT, BORROW THE MONEY, BUT DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO GET ME MY MONEY!!! YOU SHALL RECEIVE FURTHER ISTRUCTIONS IN THE MAIL AND/OR PHONE AS TO HOW TO DELIVER THE MONEY. BUT START RAISING THE MONEY NOW!! I WANT NO DENOMINATIONS LARGER THAN A \$100 BILL! IF YOU THRY TO MARK THE MONEY I WIL KNOW IT, BELIEVE ME I WILL! SO DON'T PLAY ANY GAMES WITH YOUR DAUGHTER LIFE. I REPEAT YOU ARE BEING WATCHED, TAMMY IS BEING WATCHED. IF I SUSPECT THAT YOU HAVE NOTIFIED THE POLICE YOU WILL BE CRYING AT TAMMY'S GRAVESITE!! ALSO TO PROVE THAT I AM VERY CLOSE TO YOU TAKE A LOOK AT THE LITTLETON POSTMARK. YOU WILL HAVE FIVE DAYS IN WHICH TO RAIS THE FIRST TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. GET THIS THING DONE!! IF NOT THERE WILL BE A BLOODBATH!!! WILL CONTACT YOU SOON.***

***RE-READ THIS LETTER IMMEDIATELY!***

***REMEMBER GO TO THE POLICE AND SHE WILL DIE!"***

Subsequent letters were received on 07/20/1990, 07/21/1990, 07/24/1990 and 08/07/1990. The subject also placed several calls to the Dean residence that were recorded. Agents from the FBI were involved and took over the investigation. After several communications occurred between Doris and the suspect, they agreed to drop money at a location in Denver. The money drop was made, but the suspect never claimed the money. The case was turned over to the FBI and was not solved. It is not known who was directly involved in the extortion but there were details contained in the letter that had not been released to the public. It should be noted the statute of limitations has been exhausted in that case.

With knowledge gained from our Homicide investigation Michael cannot be ruled out and may have ties to the letter's origin. It is known through records on 08/03/1990, Michael was issued a citation by the Denver Police Department for two criminal offenses. (90GS000242). Michael would have most likely been in Colorado when the letters were mailed.

On February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 I met with Agent Donald Peterson, of the FBI at his office Denver. Agent Peterson had previously requested the files in the extortion case involving Doris Dean. Located in those files under the attachments titled "1A", there were several cassette tapes, stamped envelopes, and typed letters. Agent Peterson told me the tapes were copies of the original tapes taken during the FBI's investigation. Agent Peterson told me the envelopes were the original envelopes the suspect had sent to Doris. Agent Peterson told me the original typed letters were also in the attachment. I requested for the items to be released to me to aid in my investigation. I was given two envelopes marked as items #1A26 and item #1A27 that contained several cassette tapes. I was also given a manilla envelope marked items #1A48 and item #1A52 that contained the original extortion letters and envelopes.

Upon my return to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office I located 6 cassette tapes in item #1A27. The tapes contained writing to identify them as copies and associated a number to each tape. I used a digital tape player to covert the audio from the tapes into a digital format. I converted tapes marked as Tape 4 (08/13/1990), Tape 5 (08/14/1990), Tape 6 (08/17/1990), Tape 7 (08/17/1990), Tape 8 (08/17/90), and Tape 9.

Once the tapes were converted, I sent the audio files to Detective Sergeant White. On February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Sergeant White called me and spoke to me about the tapes. Sergeant White said while on the flight he heard Michael conversing with another person. Sergeant White said the voice of the person in tape #5 is similar to Michael's voice. Sergeant White told me he is not trained in voice recognition but has a strong belief Michael's voice is one of the voices on the extortion tapes.

### **SYNOPSIS**

It is the belief of your Affiant based on the totality of the circumstances probable cause exists that Michael Jefferson, DOB 03/26/1957, was in the Denver Area on 11/21/1985. This affiant believes there is probable cause to believe Michael confronted Roger Dean at his residence located at 8266 Bighorn Court on 11/21/1985 between 6:45 am and 7:30 am. Michael who was wearing a ski mask to conceal his identity, ordered Roger into the residence at gun point. Once inside the residence Michael ordered Roger to summon his wife Doris and he forced Roger to blindfold and secure Doris. Michael secured Roger and took items from the residence and placed them in the backpack he had brought. Michael moved Roger to another room and secured him in the same manner as Doris had been restrained. During the event Roger attempted to flee and struggled with Michael. During the struggle this affiant believes Roger was able to remove the ski mask from Michael's face. The ski mask Michael was wearing was subsequently left on scene leading to a DNA profile being developed. Michael shot Roger 5 times in the abdomen, killing him. Michael fled the scene and while running to his car he was seen by Carly Pfohl. The physical description given by Carly is similar to Michael.



Starting on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1990 an unknown subject typed letter and called Doris to extort money from her. During the subject's communication with Doris, he mentioned details that were only known by Doris, Tammy, and Investigators. Recordings of telephonic conversations were made and were listened to by Sergeant Joel White. Sergeant White was on the same flight as Michael for several hours and heard Michael speak. Sergeant White said he recognized the voice on one of the recordings as Michael's.

Through Genetic Genealogy the DNA from the ski mask developed leads that led Investigators to Michael. DNA was obtained from Michael that matched the DNA found at the scene.

Therefore, this Affiant respectfully requests that an arrest warrant be issued for:

**Michael Shannel Jefferson**

**Black Male, 6'0", 185 LBS, Brown Hair Brown Eyes**

**DOB 03/26/1957**

For the charge (s) of

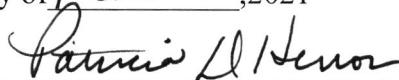
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| 18-3-102(1)(a) | Murder in the First Degree | C-1-F |
| 18-3-301(1)    | Kidnapping                 | C-1-F |

This Affiant has read the foregoing statement and the matters stated therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Affiant Detective Mark O'Harold

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021



Judge/ ~~Magistrate~~