

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI
AT INDEPENDENCE**

POLICE NO. :	21-024706
PROSECUTOR NO. :	095464113
OCN:	

STATE OF MISSOURI,
PLAINTIFF,
vs.
BRYON G. POSTLETHWAIT
9524 E 15th St
Independence, MO 64052
DOB: 01/18/1985
Race/Sex: W/M
[REDACTED]
DEFENDANT.

AMENDED COMPLAINT
WARRANT REQUESTED

Count I. Tampering With A Judicial Officer (575.095-001Y20205006.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 575.095, RSMo, committed the class D felony of tampering with a judicial officer, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.002 and 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about April 25, 2021, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, with the purpose to harass, intimidate or influence a judicial officer in the performance of such official duties the defendant, threatened to cause harm to [REDACTED] a Judge of the 16th Judicial Circuit Court of Jackson County Missouri.

The range punishment for a class D felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than one (1) year and not to exceed seven (7) years; or by imprisonment for a special term not to exceed one (1) year in the county jail or other authorized penal institution; or by a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); or by both imprisonment and a fine. If money or property has been gained through the commission of the crime, any fine imposed may be not more than double the amount of the offender's gain from the commission of the crime.

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the statement(s) of facts filed contemporaneously herewith, made a part hereof, and submitted as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause.

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Wherefore, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

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WITNESSES:

1. PO David Abraham, 223 N. Memorial Drive, Independence, MO 64050

2. [REDACTED]

■ [REDACTED]

■ [REDACTED]

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: 04/29/2021

Report: 2021-24706

OCN:

I, **Officer David Abraham**, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true:

1. I have probable cause to believe that on 4/25/2021, at approximately 1630 hours, Bryon G. Postlethwait, (Race- White, Sex- Male, DOB- 01-18-1985, Address-9524 East 15th Street, Independence, Missouri 64052, [REDACTED], committed one or more criminal offenses in Jackson County, Missouri.
2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 04-25-2021 Officer David Abraham #1247 learned Bryon Postlethwait was making threats to kill people on May 2nd.

Officer Abraham spoke with the complaining witness, [REDACTED], who advised he was messaging with Bryon Postlethwait on Facebook messenger. He advised Bryon Postlethwait made threats to kill people because they had stolen his family. [REDACTED] k advised Bryon Postlethwait is a military veteran who attends the same church and the VFW as [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] advised Bryon Postlethwait has been going through a divorce and has not recently seen his kids. [REDACTED] advised he feels Bryon Postlethwait needs mental health treatment.

On 04-26-2021, Bryon Postlethwait was picked up on a Jackson County Court Ordered 96 hour hold from the Probate Court and transported to Centerpoint Hospital. He has since been transferred to Research Psychiatric Center for the mental health evaluation.

On 04-28-2021 Officer Abraham was contacted by Bryon Postlethwait's [REDACTED], who relayed to Officer Abraham additional threats which were made by Bryon Postlethwait on 04-25-2021.

The two relayed to Officer Abraham that Bryon Postlethwait was at their residence to have his conference with his children. They advised after he completed his conversation with his children, Bryon Postlethwait relayed to them the following:

On Sunday, May 2nd, he was going to kill Judge [REDACTED]. They advised he told them his plan was to stab her, rape her in the stab wound, and make her husband watch while he bled to death because his ankles and achilles tendon would be cut.

Bryon Postlethwait told them he had signed his will leaving all of his stuff to [REDACTED] since she had taken the rest of his life. They advised Bryon Postlethwait told them he was going to Washington D.C. to see his kids one last time before he came home, killed

the judge and then himself. They further advised they attempted to reason with Bryon Postlethwait, however he could not be reasonable.

Bryon Postlethwait has not been interviewed due to being in the hospital. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] have both assured Officer Abraham they will testify in the case with the hopes of keeping him from causing harm to anyone. Officer Abraham intends to attempt to interview Bryon Postlethwait once he is released from the hospital.

David Abraham

Print Name

Officer David Abraham

Independence MO Police

/s/ David Abraham

Signature