



**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI
AT KANSAS CITY**

POLICE NO. :	KC22055298
PROSECUTOR NO. :	095470938
OCN:	HU008667

STATE OF MISSOURI,)	
)	PLAINTIFF,
vs.)	
)	
MICHAELA H CHISM)	
6500 PASEO)	CASE NO. 2216-CR
KANSAS CITY, MO 64131)	DIVISION
DOB: 12/09/1985)	
Race/Sex: W/F)	
)	
)	DEFENDANT.

COMPLAINT
WARRANT REQUESTED

**Count I. Endangering The Welfare Of A Child Involving Drugs- 1st Degree - 1st
Offense (568.045-008Y20203806.0)**

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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.

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

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WITNESSES:

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2. DET Joshua M. Gantt, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106

3. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

MO 64106

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT FORM

Date: 08-17-2022

CRN: KC22055298

I, Detective Josh Gantt # 5772, of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department
(Name and identify law enforcement officer, or person having information as probable cause.)

knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

I have probable cause to believe that on 08-17-2022, at 6500 The Paseo in
(Date) (Address)

Kansas City, Jackson Missouri Michaela Chism
(County) (Name of Offender(s))

a white female born on 12-09-1985 committed one or more criminal offense(s).
(Description of Identity)

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 08-17-2022, at approximately 0023 hours, officers from the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department (KCPD) were dispatched to 6500 The Paseo, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri in regard to a Residence Check. The calling party wished to remain anonymous but advised that a three-year-old child at the residence was killed and the child’s mother did nothing to prevent it. Upon the officers’ arrival, their attempts to make contact with occupants of the residence proved unfruitful. While continuing to make contact at the residence, additional calls for service were received regarding a deceased child located at that address. Officers and personnel from the Kansas City, Missouri Fire Department (KCFD) were able to make contact with multiple occupants and advise them to exit the residence; one of the parties who exited from the residence was later identified as Michaela CHISM.

KCPD personnel then entered the residence to check on the welfare of the child inside. While continuing through the residence, KCPD personnel observed a juvenile male asleep on the floor between the residence’s sole bathroom and a bedroom located on the southwest corner of the main level; the juvenile was alive and carried out of the residence with no apparent injury. KCPD personnel continued on into the bedroom that was located near the southwest corner of the structure’s main level. A sergeant observed the body of an unknown juvenile male lying on top of a bed within the bedroom; the juvenile was concealed by a blanket and only his feet were visible. The sergeant noticed that the bottom of the child’s exposed feet appeared to be discolored. The sergeant removed the blanket and observed that the child was unresponsive and hard to the touch. Members of the KCPD Homicide Unit-1030 squad were notified of the deceased juvenile’s death and responded to the scene.

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A judge from the 16th Judicial Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri granted the detectives a search warrant for the residence at 6500 The Paseo. KCPD detectives, KCPD crime scene personnel, and an investigator from the Jackson County, Missouri Medical Examiner's office all assisted in the execution of the search warrant. During the execution of the search warrant, detectives observed multiple, uncapped used and new syringes, multiple apparent glass pipes (typically used for consuming controlled substances), multiple glass smoking devices, and multiple strips of foil with apparent burnt residue throughout the residence. In addition to those examples of paraphernalia, detectives observed multiple amounts of white crystal-like substances, white rock-like substances, and green leafy substances; there were also multiple bottles of prescription pill bottles that contained various amounts of apparent medication prescribed to parties who were not present at the time of the officers' initial appearance.

The detectives noted that throughout the residence each room was in general disarray with food (in various stages of decomposition) and other miscellaneous items strewn about the floors and tables; the detectives observed one of the aforementioned glass pipes located underneath part of a McDonald's cheeseburger on the dining room table.

The detectives observed the deceased juvenile and were advised that he was [REDACTED] of Michaela CHISM; the child observed sleeping on the floor between the bathroom and bedroom was identified as CHISM's [REDACTED]

The deceased juvenile was clothed in a green tee shirt and naked from the waist down. His body was lying on its back and apparent signs of discoloration were present to the posterior side of the body's feet, legs, torso, arms and the left side of his head/neck area. A notable defect was present on the right side of the child's back and a raise, discolored scab on top of the defect gave the indication of infection.

[REDACTED] body was transported to the Jackson County Medical Examiner's Office (JACOME) and [REDACTED] was taken to the Children's Mercy Hospital. While at Children's Mercy, lab analyses were performed on [REDACTED] and the results indicated the presence of amphetamines in his system. After [REDACTED] was transported to the JACOME, personnel there were advised of [REDACTED]'s hospital lab results. An unknown quantity of [REDACTED]'s urine was collected and used to for analysis of an ALERE brand presumptive drug test; the results of the urine analysis indicated the presence of amphetamines in [REDACTED] system, as well.

CHISM was taken into custody and placed on an investigative hold regarding the incident. Detectives interviewed the other parties who were present either in the residence or nearby at the time of the KCPD officers' initial contact. One of the interviewed parties [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] ran around the residence without wearing underwear, took food from the plates of the random parties there, and did not appear to be well taken care of. Another party [REDACTED] advised that he had known CHISM, [REDACTED] through his friendship with CHISM husband/the children's father; [REDACTED] advised that he was concerned for [REDACTED] because of CHISM's struggle with illicit drugs. A third party present was identified as [REDACTED]. According to [REDACTED], approximately eight months prior CHISM, [REDACTED] used to live with him at his residence; at that time, CHISM and her husband frequently consumed methamphetamine and heroin, leaving [REDACTED] to care for [REDACTED]

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CHISM was transported to and held at the Metro Patrol Division Detention during her investigative arrest. Detectives responded to the Metro Patrol Division Detention where they contacted CHISM and escorted her to a designated interview room to obtain a formal statement. Prior to conducting the interview, the detectives read CHISM her a Miranda Warning; at the conclusion of being read her rights, CHISM acknowledged that she understood her rights and the interview proceeded. According to CHISM, her children’s father was incarcerated in the Clay County, Missouri Jail at that time and, as a result, CHISM was solely responsible for the care and well-being of [REDACTED] and herself. CHISM advised that she and her sons had stayed at the residence on 6500 The Paseo for approximately two weeks. CHISM advised that the residence was owned by a woman named Madison who did not live at the house; CHISM stated that Madison knew that she stayed there. CHISM advised that multiple came and went from the residence in the two weeks that she stayed there. CHISM stated that people, including herself, consumed controlled substances and the residence and identified two drugs that she consumed there as methamphetamine and Fentanyl.

CHISM stated that during their time there, she and her sons typically slept in the living room on the couch and chair. Either the previous evening or the one before that she and [REDACTED] woke up and began watching television. CHISM noticed that [REDACTED] was not moving and went over to check on him. [REDACTED] was not responsive and CHISM knew that he was dead. CHISM advised that [REDACTED] died on the couch and was moved to the aforementioned bedroom sometime after the police arrived for the residence check and at the behest of another party staying there. CHISM said that she panicked and placed [REDACTED] in the bed as she was told. CHISM was unable to provide an accurate account of the dates and times for when she discovered [REDACTED]’s lifeless body or how long she left him on the couch before moving him.

Printed Name Det. Josh Gantt - 5772 Signature /s/ Det. Josh Gantt #5772

The Court finds probable cause and directs the issuance of a warrant this _____ day of _____.

Judge

Circuit Court of _____ County, State of Missouri.