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Search Warrant for [REDACTED] Queen Road, [REDACTED] part 2-157

1. WatchGuard Event: No

Additional Responding Officers: NA

Case number added to WG: NA

2. Evidence

Item 261-Blood Swab
Item 262-Blood Swab
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Item 264-Blood Swab

3. Narrative

On 11/23/22 I applied for and was granted a search warrant for [REDACTED] Queen Road, [REDACTED], the residence of J [REDACTED] S [REDACTED]. The warrant was based off the following information:

OFC House and I responded to [REDACTED] Queen Road at approximately 1000 hours on 11/15/22. We walked on the common walkway in front of the door to S [REDACTED] apartment and observed the exterior of the door. The area around the door had numerous spots of a dried fluid which appeared to be rust drops from a metal roof above the apartment's door. These drops were mainly on the wall next to the door frame, not on the frame itself. I observed what appeared to be a different fluid spot on the door approximately eight inches up from the bottom of the door under the door knob. I also noticed the dead bolt plating was clean, polished silver and had no dirt on it. I walked away from the door in order to conduct an interview on a possible witness. OFC House and several members of the ISP forensics unit to include Detective Hugh Powell, walked back to [REDACTED] Queen Road, [REDACTED].

I met back up with OFC House and Det. Powell a short time later and they told me they believed the spot of dried fluid on the door displayed similar characteristics to that of dried blood. Namely, Det. Powell stated the spot displayed a cracking texture common when blood dries on a surface. The spot also displayed a similar drop pattern to the blood spots found on the banister wall and the wall on the stairwell to the ground floor which I observed inside 1122

King Road. OFC House also told me he looked at several other door knobs and dead bolt plates on doors in the same apartment complex, all of which had a fine layer of dust. OFC House also confirmed S [REDACTED] door did not have the same layer of dust as though it had been cleaned off.

I returned to MPD and was notified by Det. Vargas, who was reviewing security camera footage provided by the owners of [REDACTED] Linda Lane, of possible footage of someone walking by the cameras at 0350 hours on 11/13/22. I watched the film with Det. Vargas. The cameras show the parking lot of [REDACTED] Linda Lane which is situated directly south of [REDACTED] Queen Road, [REDACTED]. The frame captures a portion of the [REDACTED] Queen Road parking lot in front of [REDACTED] but does not capture the apartments themselves. The area of [REDACTED] Queen Road [REDACTED] is also much darker than [REDACTED] Linda Lane. The video is infra-red and is thusly displayed in black and white. At approximately 0350 hours on 11/13/22, per the time stamp on the video, a figure clad in dark clothing can be seen walking from the building which houses [REDACTED] Queen Road, [REDACTED]. The figure walks to the west out of the parking lot and leaves the frame of the video as the figure enters the sidewalk area between the two other apartment buildings at [REDACTED] Queen Road. The terminus of this sidewalk is immediately east of 1122 King Road. The figure is not captured by the cameras any further.

Based off the information above, MPD and ISP Officers served a search warrant on the exterior of the front door to [REDACTED] Queen Road, [REDACTED]. Access to the residence per this search warrant was granted only if a presumptive positive test for blood was found on the exterior door. Nothing was found during this search and the warrant was returned.

On 11/23/22, MPD Officer Morris was contacted by J [REDACTED] S [REDACTED], a maintenance worker for [REDACTED] which manages [REDACTED] Queen Road, [REDACTED]. S [REDACTED] told OFC Morris he conducted a routine maintenance order on [REDACTED] Queen Road, [REDACTED] on 11/22/22, wherein he discovered something of note.

I had OFC Morris call S [REDACTED] and place him on speaker phone so I could talk to him. I asked S [REDACTED] to tell me what he found. S [REDACTED] told me he and another maintenance worker entered the apartment on 11/22/22 in order to check on a water quality complaint made by the tenant. Both men checked the kitchen and did not notice any issues. S [REDACTED] said he entered the only bathroom in the residence and began to inspect the drain when the other maintenance worker advised there appeared to be blood on the shower curtain. S [REDACTED] said he looked and discovered what appeared to be two separate smudge marks on the shower curtain which appeared to be dried blood. S [REDACTED] described the smudges as "one inch, by one inch". S [REDACTED] said he then noticed another smudge of what appeared to be dried blood on the toilette flusher handle. S [REDACTED] added there appeared to be "spatter" of dried blood near the light switch on the interior wall of the bathroom. I asked S [REDACTED] to describe the marks. He told me they appeared to be reddish, brown in color. S [REDACTED] added "I've seen dried blood before" and the marks appeared to be similar that. S [REDACTED] added the only thing he did in the restroom was flush the toilet in order to check the water quality. S [REDACTED] said the toilet appeared clean but became clogged when he flushed it. S [REDACTED] noted it was odd the toilet became clogged. S [REDACTED] said he and his counterpart then left the apartment. I asked S [REDACTED] if anyone else had reason or means to access the apartment beside he or S [REDACTED] between the time he left and the current time. S [REDACTED] said no.

I served the search warrant with ISP Investigators Jeff Talbott, Hugh Powell and Jake Schweke. We discovered the blood smears and spots in the locations S [REDACTED] described. In addition, there were more blood spatter spots on the wall on the

entryway into the living room. Samples of each were collected 94 in total) and ISP Det. Talbott took photos of the residence. Upon completion, I left the required paperwork on the couch in the living room and Det. Talbott took a photo of it. All units cleared without further incident.

The search warrant was returned on 12/4/22.

4. Other

None

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury pursuant to the law of the State of Idaho that the foregoing is true and correct.

CPL Payne #157

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