

WARRANT REQUEST FORM

FELONY: Y

MM: Y

DEFENDANT: Darwin Patrick Stinson II(W/M, DOB [REDACTED])

F.S.: 838.016 (1) (2 COUNTS), 934.215 (1 COUNT)

LOCATION OF OFFENSE: Walton CI DATE/TIME: 3/2/2021 to 8/26/2021

CO-DEFENDANT(S): NA

COMPLAINANT: State of Florida-OIG ADDRESS: 691 Institution Rd., Defuniak Springs, FL

HOME PHONE: NA WORK PHONE: 850-951-1300

Complete and submit the following items with the intake cover sheet:

X COMPLAINT

X OFFENSE / INCIDENT REPORT

X OFFICER'S PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

X REPORT OF INTERVIEW(S) WITH WITNESS(S)

(may be incorporated in offense/incident report or officer's probable cause statement)

X REPORT OF INTERVIEW WITH DEFENDANT

(may be incorporated in offense/incident report or officer's probable cause statement)

X PHYSICAL / DOCUMENT EVIDENCE (list):

*CASE FILE CONTAINS RELATED FINANCIAL RECORDS, TELEPHONE
EXTRACTION RECORDS, AND WITNESS STATEMENTS.

INVESTIGATING AGENCY: FDC OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

OFFICER / INVESTIGATOR: SENIOR INSPECTOR JANINE KNIGHT

FOR STATE ATTORNEY OR COURT USE ONLY:

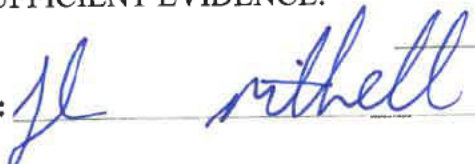
WARRANT RECOMMENDED: _____



SUMMONS RECOMMENDED: _____

INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE: _____

INVESTIGATION INCOMPLETE: _____

ASA: 

DATE: 8/3/23

COMMENTS:

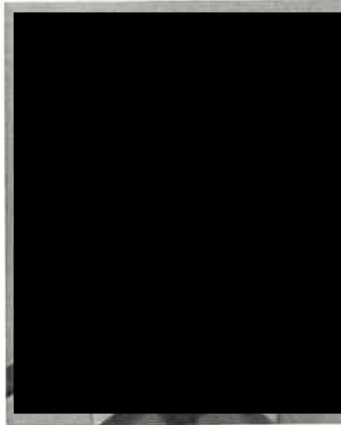
THE STATE OF FLORIDA

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FIRST JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WALTON COUNTY,
FLORIDA.

v.

CASE NO.: _____

DARWIN PATRICK STINSON II
(W/M; DOB: [REDACTED])



CHARGE(s):

- 1) Unlawful compensation [2 counts]
- 2) Unlawful use of a two-way communication device [1 count]

WARRANT

TO EACH SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

WHEREAS, a Sworn Complaint, having been this day filed before me as Judge of the Circuit Court in and for Walton County, wherein it is alleged that:

Former Correctional Officer Darwin Patrick Stinson II, between October 26, 2020, and August 26, 2021, in the County of Walton and State of Florida, committed the offense of Unlawful Compensation or reward for official behavior contrary to Florida Statutes 838.016(1) (Second degree FELONY) [2 counts],

Former Correctional Officer Darwin Patrick Stinson II, between October 26, 2020, and August 26, 2021, in the County of Walton and State of Florida, committed the offense of Unlawful use of two-way communication device contrary to Florida Statutes 934.215 (Third degree FELONY) [1 count],

THEREFORE, you are hereby commanded to arrest instanter the said **Darwin Patrick Stinson II**

WITNESS my hand and the official Seal of the Judge of the Circuit Court:

Jeffrey E Lewis

The defendant shall be admitted bail in the amount of \$ _____.

JEL No bail until first appearance, as provided by law.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS IN ADDITION TO MONETARY BAIL:

This warrant came to hand the _____ day of _____, A.D., 20____, and I executed the same by arresting the within named defendant on the _____ day of _____, A.D., 20____. On the _____ day of _____, A.D., 20____, the within named defendant was taken before the Court to be dealt with according to law.

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AFFIDAVIT - COMPLAINT

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Agency ORI # **FL037275C**

1. Agency Name: Office of Inspector General - FDC		2. Agency Report Number: 21-18376		3. Charge Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor w/associated felony <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal <input type="checkbox"/> County		3a. Ordinance Type: (If applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal <input type="checkbox"/> County	
4. Date/Time of Offense: 10/26/2020-3/23/2021		5. Date/Time of Arrest: Pending		6. Arresting Officer: Pending		7. Investigating Officer: Senior Inspector Janine Knight	

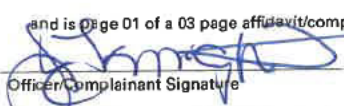
8. Defendant's Name: (Last) Stinson II			(First) Darwin			(Middle) Patrick			ALIAS			9. OBTS:			
10. Race/Sex: W/M		11. Date of Birth:		12. Residence Type: <input type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> County <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Florida <input type="checkbox"/> Out of State				13. Weapon Seized: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		14. Controlled Substance Seized: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No TYPE & QUANTITY:					
15. Height: 5'9"		16. Weight: 200 lbs.		17. Eye Color: Green		18. Hair Color: Brown		19. Scars, marks, tattoos, unique physical features: (Location, type & description)							
20. Driver's License Number/State:				21. Social Security Number:				22. Residential Telephone:				23. Business Telephone:			
24. Address: (Street, Apartment Number) _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____															

25. Defendant's Name: (Last)			(First)			(Middle)			ALIAS			26. OBTS:			
27. Race/Sex:		28. Date of Birth:		29. Residence Type: <input type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Florida <input type="checkbox"/> Out of State				30. Weapon Seized: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		31. Controlled Substance Seized: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No TYPE & QUANTITY:					
32. Height:		33. Weight:		34. Eye Color:		35. Hair Color:		36. Scars, marks, tattoos, unique physical features: (Location, type & description)							
37. Driver's License Number/State:				38. Social Security Number:				39. Residential Telephone:				40. Business Telephone:			
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42. Defendant's Name: (Last)			(First)			(Middle)			ALIAS			43. OBTS:			
44. Race/Sex:		45. Date of Birth:		46. Residence Type: <input type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Florida <input type="checkbox"/> Out of State				47. Weapon Seized: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		48. Controlled Substance Seized: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No TYPE & QUANTITY:					
49. Height:		50. Weight:		51. Eye Color:		52. Hair Color:		53. Scars, marks, tattoos, unique physical features: (Location, type & description)							
54. Driver's License Number/State:				55. Social Security Number:				56. Residential Telephone:				57. Business Telephone:			
58. Address: (Street, Apartment Number) _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____															

59. Charge Description: (# 1) Unlawful Compensation by a Public Servant for Official Behavior (2 counts)						60. Statute or Ordinance Number: 838.016(1)						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord.	
61. Charge Description: (# 2) Unlawful Use of a 2-way Communication Device						62. Statute or Ordinance Number: 934.215						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord.	
63. Charge Description: (# 3)						64. Statute or Ordinance Number:						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord.	

65. Victim's Name: (If business, list legal business name) (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____			66. Race/Sex		67. Date of Birth:		68. Telephone Number:				
69. Contact Person if victim is deceased, a minor child, or business: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____			70. Race/Sex		71. Date of Birth:		72. Telephone Number:				
73. Address: (Street, Apartment Number) _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____			74. Secondary Phone Number:								
75. Victim Notification of Arrest: NOTIFIED BY: _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____						76. Information Given: Victim <input type="checkbox"/> Rights Card <input type="checkbox"/> App. Info <input type="checkbox"/> Arrest Info Domestic <input type="checkbox"/> Viol. info					

77. Physical Evidence collected in this case? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		78. Witness Statements taken in this case? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		79. I certify that all of the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and is page 01 of a 03 page affidavit/complaint.			
Evidence Custodian's Name: William Hopkins		Person responsible for statements: Senior Inspector Knight		 Officer/Complainant Signature		Senior Inspector Janine Knight Type or print Complainant name	

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84. NARRATIVE OF THE FACTUAL BASIS FOR PROBABLE CAUSE: The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe that the heretofore named defendant did commit the violations of law as stated above and the factual basis for this belief is as follows:

Your Affiant is Senior Law Enforcement Inspector Janine Knight of the Florida Department of Corrections, Office of the Inspector General.

Your Affiant has probable cause to believe former Correctional Officer Darwin Patrick Stinson II (Officer Stinson) in the County of Walton and the State of Florida, did commit the criminal offenses of: Unlawful Compensation, in violation of Florida State Statute 838.016(1) when he, a public servant, did corruptly accept or agree to accept any pecuniary benefit not authorized by law for the past, present, or future performance, nonperformance, or violation of any act or omission which the person giving, offering, or promising the pecuniary benefit believed to have been, or which Officer Stinson represented as having been, either within his official discretion, in violation of a public duty, or in the performance of a public duty, at Walton Correctional Institution (WCI) in Defuniak Springs, Walton County, Florida. Your Affiant has probable cause to believe Officer Stinson committed the criminal offense of Unlawful Use of a Two-way Communication Device, in violation of s. 934.215 Florida Statute, when Officer Stinson used an electronic device capable of two-way communication to receive electronic money transfers via CashApp and the communications attached to those money transfers.

On June 4, 2021, a Verizon LG smart cellular telephone was recovered from Inmate Richard Lewis DC #193072 (Inmate Lewis) while he was housed at WCI. OIG contract forensic lab (ViaPath) extracted data from the device. Messages sent to and from the device during May 2021 referenced: packages which were mailed to a married white male employee identified as "Stenson"; a package containing drugs was intercepted at "Stenson's" home; individuals planned to meet with "Stenson" to provide contraband to him; "Stenson" brought three (3) phones to inmates around May 19, 2021; and inmates made or made arrangements for payments to be made to/for "Stenson." Only one employee at Walton CI met the provided description and like name, which was Officer Stinson.

Inmate Lewis provided a sworn statement indicating a cell phone was recovered from him on June 4, 2021. Inmate Lewis said other inmates, who he did not identify, also used the device.

Review of FDC internal records showed Officer Stinson provided his home address as: [REDACTED] his telephone number was [REDACTED] and his email address was: patrick@insuredbystinson.com. Officer Stinson provided information to FDC which indicated his spouse was [REDACTED] Officer Stinson did not disclose any other employment to FDC, while he was employed at Walton CI as a Correctional Officer.

The subpoenaed records for Officer Stinson's CashApp accounts, from Block Inc. showed identifying information provided to CashApp for the account owner matched that provided by Officer Stinson to FDC. Block Inc. records for Officer Stinson's CashApp account showed on October 26, 2020, Ms. Abney sent \$400.00 to Officer Stinson's CashApp account token C_s9e2pqyec. On March 23, 2021, Ms. Abney sent \$500.00 to Officer Stinson's CashApp account token C_s9e2pqyec. The electronic money transfers and the subject information to those money transfers were sent to and received by Officer Stinson using an electronic communication device such as a cellular telephone, tablet, or computer using a Wi-Fi or cellular internet connection. Many of the Cash App transfers received by Officer Stinson contained subjects related to the inmates' names or documented aliases for whom they were sent. The electronic money transfers and the subject information to those money transfers were sent to and received by Officer Stinson using an electronic communication device such as a cellular telephone, tablet, or computer using a Wi-Fi or cellular internet connection.

Identifying information provided by Ms. Abney to Block Inc for her CashApp active account token C_002hp1ysj matched information found in FDC internal databases for Ms. Abney, who was the girlfriend of Inmate Christopher Quinn DC #566887. Inmate Quinn was housed at WCI on the dates of the transactions.

Subpoenaed records from Wells Fargo Bank and from Block Inc., showed Officer Stinson transferred funds routinely from his Block Inc. account Active Account Token C_s9e2pqyec into Wells Fargo Bank account # [REDACTED] associated with bank card [REDACTED] between February 25, 2021, and July 27, 2021. Wells Fargo Bank records showed Wells Fargo bank account # [REDACTED] associated with card [REDACTED] belonged to [REDACTED] (Officer Stinson's wife).

According to the sworn statement of Inmate Quinn, Inmate Quinn worked on Officer Stinson's inside grounds crew. Inmate Quinn sent Officer Stinson money through his girlfriend Shelby Abney's CashApp account. Inmate Quinn said the money he sent was provided in exchange for inmates at WCI to receive cigarettes, cellphones, and narcotics from Officer Stinson. Inmate Quinn said Officer Stinson met another inmate's girlfriend at a local business in Defuniak Springs to obtain contraband and drugs, which Officer Stinson later provided inmates at WCI. Inmate Quinn saw Officer Stinson give contraband to other inmates, after the financial transactions were sent from Ms. Abney's CashApp account to Officer Stinson. Inmate Quinn saw that Officer Stinson engaged in similar financial transactions with other inmates housed at WCI, in exchange for Officer Stinson to introduce contraband to/for them.

According to the sworn (post-Miranda) statement of Officer Stinson, Block, Inc. Active Account Token's C_s9e2pqyec and C_8s2tk1m0j were his accounts. These accounts may have been associated with Officer Stinson's wife's [REDACTED] Wells Fargo Account. Officer Stinson did not know Ms. Abney and had no explanation for why she had sent money to his account. Officer Stinson knew it was against FDC policies/procedures for him or his family members to accept money directly or indirectly from inmates or inmates' family members.

Walton CI Warden Ronnie Quinn (Warden Quinn) advised Correctional Officer Stinson did not disclose any inmate was his relative or an individual whom he was in a personal or business relationship with.

On August 9, 2019, Officer Stinson signed acknowledgement of rules regarding staff/inmate/offender relationships statement and of Procedure 102.004, Ethics, which addresses Unauthorized compensation of employees.

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Your Affiant requests an arrest warrant be issued for Darwin Patrick Stinson II, W/M, DOB [REDACTED] for: two (2) counts of s. 838.016(1), the laws related to Unlawful Compensation by Public Servant for Official Behavior and one (1) count of a violation of s. 934.215, the laws related to the unlawful use of two-way communication.

All supporting documents referred to in this affidavit will be available for judicial review and will be further explained in your Affiant's report of investigation.

85. The undersigned, being duly sworn, states that the foregoing information contained in an affidavit consisting of 06 pages is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge Signature of Officer/Complainant Senior Inspector Janine Knight Officer/Complainant's Name (Printed) ID Number [REDACTED]	Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>26</u> day of <u>July</u> , 20 <u>23</u> Signature of Person Administering Oath <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personally Known <input type="checkbox"/> Other Identification Seal
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87. Adult's Relation to Juvenile Defendant: <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	88. Adult's Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____		90. Residential Phone: _____
89. Address: (Street, Apartment Number) _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____	91. Business Phone _____		92. Notified By: (Name) _____
93. Date/Time: _____		94. Notification Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone	
95. Law Enforcement Disposition of Juvenile Contact: (Check one and complete release data)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Transferred to Secure Detention Release Date: _____ Release Time: _____ Released to (Name): _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Released to HRS Intake Officer, not detained <input type="checkbox"/> Processed within the agency and released to other than HRS	