

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND
FOR LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

STATE OF FLORIDA

CASE NO.

-vs-

AGENCY CASE NO. 23-13347

Angelica Alvarado

Defendant

RACE/SEX: White/Female

DOB: [REDACTED]

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST

Before me, Circuit Court Judge RON Flury, appeared by affidavit Detective Maria Fender (Affiant), who being sworn, deposes and says:

COUNT 1: Introduction of Contraband (2 counts)

That Ms. Angelica Alvarado, a former Correctional Officer Trainee, employed at Liberty Correctional Institution, in the month of July 2023, did then and there, deliver two bags of contraband items on the property of Liberty Correctional Institution for the purpose of introduction into a secure facility, in Violation of §944.47(1)(a)(6) Florida Statute.

COUNT 2: Introduction of Contraband by Electronic Communication (1 count)

Ms. Angelica Alvarado, a former Correctional Officer Trainee, employed at Liberty Correctional Institution, in the month of July 2023, did then and there, knowingly engage in telephonic and text message communications with two or more inmates by way of contraband cell phones for the purpose of romantic relationship and the introduction of Contraband in violation of §944.47(1)(a)(1) Florida Statute.

COUNT 3: Unlawful Compensation (1 count)

Ms. Angelica Alvarado, a former Correctional Officer Trainee, employed at Liberty Correctional Institution, between the months of April and July of 2023, did receive approximately 34 CashApp payments from individuals identified as incarcerated inmates with the Florida Department of Corrections, for a total cash payment of \$9,697.00, in violation of §838.016(1) Florida Statute.

Your Affiant has documented her probable cause in a complaint affidavit attached to this document as EXHIBIT A; wherein, the above violations are further explained. Your Affiant swears that EXHIBIT A is true.

WHEREFORE, your Affiant respectfully prays an arrest warrant be issued according to law, commanding all and singular, the Sheriffs of the State of Florida, to forthwith, arrest said, Mr. Angelica Alvarado and bring her before the court to answer the charge of Introduction of Contraband (two counts) in violation of §944.47(1)(a)(6) Florida Statute; the Introduction of Contraband by Electronic Communication (one count) in violation of §944.47(1)(a)(1) Florida Statute and Unlawful Compensation (one count) in violation of §838.016(1) Florida Statute while employed at Liberty Correctional Institution located at 11064 NW Dempsey Barron Rd, Bristol FL 32321 in Liberty County, Florida.

Maria Fender
AFFIANT

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 26 DAY OF March, 2024.

Jus. [Signature] [REDACTED]

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ARREST WARRANT

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, TO ALL AND SINGULAR SHERIFFS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

HAVING RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED THE SWORN AFFIDAVIT OF DETECTIVE MARIA FENDER, DATED THE 26 DAY OF March 2024, SAID AFFIDAVIT ALLEGING:

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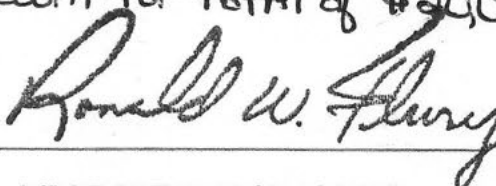
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THESE ARE THEREFORE TO COMMAND YOU TO FORTHWITH ARREST AND BRING THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT BEFORE ME TO BE DEALT WITH ACCORDING TO LAW.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 26 DAY OF March 2024, AT Liberty COUNTY, FLORIDA.

BAIL BOND IS FIXED AT \$ 5000.00 each count for total of \$20,000.00
 BOND IS TO BE SET AT FIRST APPEARANCE



JUDGE OF THE ABOVE COURT

PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

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| OBTS # | | 1. Arrest Affidavit 2. Notice to Appear | 3. Complaint Affidavit 4. Request for Capias 5. Teen Court Referral | 4 | Juvenile | N | | | | |
| ORI # | FL0200800 | Office of Inspector General - DC | | Report # | 23-13347 | | | | | |
| Location of Offense | | | | Date of Offense | Date of Arrest | | | | | |
| Liberty Correctional Institution 11064 NW Dempsey Barron Rd. Bristol FL 32321 | | | | 07/13/2023 | | | | | | |
| Name: Angelica Alvarado | | | | | Alias: N/A | | | | | |
| Race W - White I - Indian American B - Black O - Oriental Asian | Sex W F | DOB or Age [REDACTED] | Height 5'06" | Weight | Eye Color Brown | Hair Color Brown | | | | |
| | | | Complexion Medium | Build Heavy | | | | | | |
| Address (Street, Apt, Number) | | | | (City) | (State) | Phone | | | | |
| [REDACTED] | | | | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Parent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Legal Custodian <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Other | Name of Parent or Custodian (Last, First, Middle) | | | | | Residence Phone | | | | |
| | N/A | | | | | () - | | | | |
| Address (Street, Apt, Number) | | | | (City) | (State) | Business Phone | | | | |
| [REDACTED] | | | | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | () - | | | | |
| Notified By: (Name) | | Date | Time | Juvenile Disposition 1. Handled / Processed within Dept. and Released | | 2. Turned over to DOH/C&F 3. Incarcerated (County Jail) | | | | |
| Released to: (Name) | | Relationship | | Date | Time | | | | | |
| Activity: S. Sell N. N/A P. Posses | R. Smuggle B. Buy D. Deliver E. Use | K. Dispose / Distribute | M. Manufacture / Produce / Cultivate | Z. Other | Type: N. N/A A. Amphetamine | B. Barbiturate C. Cocaine E. Heroin | H. Hallucinogen M. Marijuana O. Opium / Deriv | P. Paraphernalia / Equipment S. Synthetic | U. Unknown Z. Other | |
| Charge Description: Introduction of Contraband into a Secure Facility | | | Counts 2 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord | State Violation Number: 944.47(1)(a)(6) | | Violation of Section (ORD) | | | |
| Activity | Drug Type | Amount / Unit | | State Attorney Number 850-807-7910 | Court Number | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PC # | Capias | <input type="checkbox"/> AC | <input type="checkbox"/> BW | <input type="checkbox"/> PW | <input type="checkbox"/> Juv. PU | <input type="checkbox"/> Citation | Date Issued | Writt. Att. # | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Viol Inj. | <input type="checkbox"/> Order of Arrest |
| Charge Description: Introduction of Contraband via Electronic Communication | | | Counts 1 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord | State Violation Number: 944.47(1)(a)(1) | | Violation of Section (ORD) | | | |
| Activity | Drug Type | Amount / Unit | | State Attorney Number 850-807-7910 | Court Number | | | | | |
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| Charge Description: Unlawful Compensation | | | Counts 1 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord | State Violation Number: 838.016(1) | | Violation of Section (ORD) | | | |
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| The Undersigned Certifies and swears that she has just and reasonable grounds to believe and does believe that the above-named Defendant committed the following Violation of the law: Introduction of Contraband, Introduction of Contraband Via Electronic Communication, and Unlawful Compensation. On or around July 13, 2023 at approximately 1:32 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM (Specially include facts constituting cause for arrest) | | | | | | | | | | |

Your Affiant is Law Enforcement Detective Maria Fender (*Detective Fender*) with the Office of Inspector General for the Florida Department of Corrections. The Defendant is Former Correctional Officer Trainee Angelica Alvarado (Defendant) who currently resides at [REDACTED]. Your Affiant has investigated a case involving the Introduction of Contraband and Unlawful Compensation; while the defendant was working as a Correctional Officer Trainee, at Liberty Correctional Institution (LCI) for the Florida Department of Corrections.

On July 13, 2023, Detective John Tadlock (*Detective Tadlock*) was notified of and recovered a bag containing contraband from the garbage containment area located outside of LCI's Administrative Building. The bag of contraband contained ten (10) cellphone charging blocks, ten (10) cell phone charging cords, seven (7) pairs of earbuds, six (6) touch screen cellphones, three (3) rolls of black electrical tape, and twenty five (25) individually bundled rolls of cigarettes/tobacco weighing approximately 864 grams (packaged weight). All items were wrapped in a manner consistent with and for the purpose of introducing contraband into a state correctional institution. Inspector Tadlock conducted a video review of the camera overlooking the garbage can which showed the defendant throw items resembling the bag of contraband into the garbage container.

On July 14, 2023, during a post-Miranda interview, the Defendant reviewed fixed-wing video footage of the incident and identified herself and provided a description of the items she was observed throwing away. The

Defendant was shown photographs of the recovered items to include the recovered contraband, which the Defendant denied the contents of the grey trash bags as her own. The Defendant claimed to have stuffed the Aquafina bag with a clear plastic bag, which she removed from the control room and threw away some items from McDonalds. As the garbage containment area is viewable via fixed wing video footage, had not been emptied due the Institution having been placed on lockdown, the interview was paused, and Detective Fender reexamined the Garbage Containment Area outside of the Administration building, in an attempt to find the clear plastic bag containing the defendants McDonalds trash. During the search, a bag was found to contain several trash items along with a grey grocery bag. Upon examination, it was observed that the handles of the bag were tied into a knot, along with a piece of green electrical tape with the word Friday written on it.

The bag contained seven (7) touchscreen cellphones, seven (7) cellphone charging blocks, six (6) charging cords, three (3) rolls of black electrical tape, and twenty three (23) individually bundled rolls of cigarettes/tobacco weighing approximately 823 grams, packaged weight. The items recovered are of similar contents, wrapping, and packaging to the items recovered on July 13, 2023, from the same location.

Upon continuation of the Defendant's interview, she [REDACTED]

The Defendant provided verbal consent to a search of her vehicle, a black GMC Terrain, bearing FL Tag # [REDACTED], which she testified [REDACTED]. During the search, several items used for the purpose of wrapping or packing contraband for introduction were discovered. The items consisted of a vacuum sealer, plastic wrap, black electrical tape, a digital scale, a plastic container with three magnets on the bottom, two receipts from T-Mobile for the purchase of sim cards, and a receipt with the name "Sergio" and the phone number 689-263-5916. A CashApp card with the CashApp ID \$pamelaababey was found alongside the Defendant's State of Florida Driver's License. Several empty grey plastic grocery bags were found in the vehicle, one with a piece of green electrical tape with "Monday" written on it.

Following the search of her vehicle, the post- Miranda interview continued with the Defendant, concerning the items recovered during the vehicle search. During that time, the Defendant [REDACTED]

The Defendant's cellphone was seized as evidence, a search warrant was served on the phone, a forensic extraction was conducted, and an extraction report was generated. The extraction report detailed that the Defendant exchanged approximately 1800 text messages and approximately 14 phone calls with Inmate Rios between the dates of June 12, 2023, and July 13, 2023.

On June 14, 2023, Inmate Aaron Rosales (*Inmate Rosales*), DC# H28481 also known as "Boogle" sent one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) via CashApp to the Defendant to assist her financially with fixing her car. During the text message exchange, the Defendant references the money she received, which should have been as payment for her smuggling Inmate Rosales's drugs. Inmate Rosales texts acknowledges the money sent to her is money he owes her.

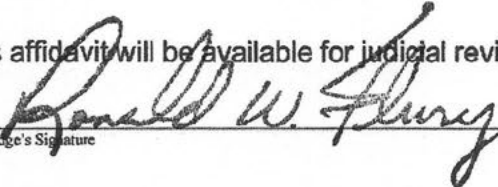
The extraction report also contained photos of contraband sent to Inmate Rosales along with a text message exchange describing when and how the Defendant made the contraband delivery. These photos and messages coincide with the contraband recovered on both July 13, 2023 and July 14, 2023.

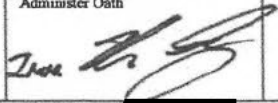
During the course of this investigation, it was determined via subpoenaed CashApp Records, the Defendant received approximately 34 CashApp payments from individuals identified as incarcerated inmates with the Florida Department of Corrections, for a total cash payment of \$9,697.00.

These facts were presented to Assistant State Attorney Cole Batson (*ASA Batson*) for a prosecution decision and who recommended the above charges be presented.

Your Affiant respectfully submits probable cause has been established that the Defendant, Angelica Alvarado, did commit the criminal violation of Introduction of Contraband (two counts) in violation of §944.47(1)(a)(6) Florida Statute; the Introduction of Contraband by Electronic Communication (one count) in violation of §944.47(1)(a)(1) Florida Statute and Unlawful Compensation (one count) in violation of §838.016(1) Florida Statute while employed at Liberty Correctional Institution located at 11064 NW Dempsey Barron Rd, Bristol FL 32321 in Liberty County, Florida. Your Affiant respectfully requests an arrest warrant be issued for the Defendant for the said charges.

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


 Date 3/26/24

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| PC. Exists for Charge(s) | | Judge's Signature | | Date | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Miranda Warnings <input type="checkbox"/> Held for Agency Name: _____ Verified By: _____ | | Date: Bond Type 1. ROR 3. Surety 2. Cash 4. Bail / Bond 5. Cert 6. Other | | Bond Charge # Bond Charge # Bond Charge # Type Type Type | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adults Only Hold for First Appearance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Do not Bond Out Reason: _____ | | I swear/Affirm the above and attached statements are true and correct Sworn to And subscribed before me, the undersigned authority this <u>26</u> day of <u>Mar</u> 20 <u>24</u> Name/Title of Person Authorized to Administer Oath: _____ | | Returnable Court Date Returnable Court Time <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM Release Date Release Time <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM | |
| Maria Fender Officer's / Complainant's Signature Maria Fender [Redacted] / R2W Name (Printed) ID# / Dist. | |  | | Releasing Officer Page 1 of 3 | |