

Adult Def PC Arrest
 Juvenile Def Application for
Warrant/Capias

AFFIDAVIT – COMPLAINT

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1. Agency Name: Office of the Inspector General - FDOC		2. Agency Report Number: 19-01488		3. Charge Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Felony <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor <input type="checkbox"/> Misdemeanor w/associated felony		3a. Ordinance Type: (If applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal <input type="checkbox"/> County	
4. Date/Time of Offense: 11-22-2018 / 11:30 AM		5. Date/Time of Arrest: N/A		6. Arresting Officer: Inspector Kevin Lingis		7. Investigating Officer: Inspector Kevin Lingis	

8. Defendant's Name: (Last) Van Keuren (First) Melissa (Middle) Lee ALIAS Unknown				9. OBTS:			
10. Race/Sex: W/F	11. Date of Birth:	12. Residence Type: <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> No	14. Controlled Substance Seized: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No TYPE & QUANTITY:		
15. Height: 5'06"	16. Weight: Unknown	17. Eye Color: Unknown	18. Hair Color: Brown	19. Scars, marks, tattoos, unique physical features: (Location, type & description) Unknown			
20. Driver's License Number/State: [REDACTED]		21. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]		22. Residential Telephone: [REDACTED]		23. Business Telephone: 352-368-8486	
24. Address: (Street, Apartment Number) [REDACTED] (City) [REDACTED] (State) [REDACTED] (Zip) [REDACTED]							

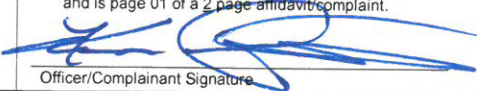
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59. Charge Description: (# 1) Falsifying Records	60. Statute or Ordinance Number: 839.13(2)(a)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord.
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69. Victim's Name: (If business, list legal business name) (Last) [REDACTED] (First) [REDACTED] (Middle) [REDACTED]	70. Race/Sex	71. Date of Birth:	72. Telephone Number:
73. Contact Person if victim is deceased, a minor child, or business: (Last) [REDACTED] (First) [REDACTED] (Middle) [REDACTED]	74. Race/Sex	75. Date of Birth:	76. Telephone Number:
77. Address: (Street, Apartment Number) [REDACTED] (City) [REDACTED] (State) [REDACTED] (Zip) [REDACTED]			78. Secondary Phone Number:
79. Victim Notification of Arrest: NOTIFIED BY: _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____			80. Information Given: <input type="checkbox"/> Victim <input type="checkbox"/> Rights Card <input type="checkbox"/> App. Info <input type="checkbox"/> Arrest Info <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic <input type="checkbox"/> Viol. Info

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105. Physical Evidence collected in this case? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	106. Witness Statements taken in this case? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	107. I certify that all of the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and is page 01 of a 2 page affidavit/complaint.
Evidence Custodian's Name: Inspector David Manning	Person responsible for statements: Inspector Kevin Lingis	 Officer/Complainant Signature
		Inspector Kevin Lingis Type or print Complainant name

PAGE 01 MUST HAVE PAGE 02 (MORE IF REQUIRED) TO BE A VALID AFFIDAVIT/COMPLAINT

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AFFIDAVIT – COMPLAINT (PROBABLE CAUSE NARRATIVE)

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112. 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 Law Enforcement Inspector Kevin Lingis #12570 with the Office of the Inspector General (OIG), Florida Department of Corrections (FDC).

On January 28, 2019, Information was received from Mr. Blaine Whitt a volunteer with Xtreme Solutions, which is an inmate mentoring program at Marion Correctional Institution (MCI) in Ocala, Florida. The information indicated Sergeant Melissa Van Keuren employed as a certified Correctional Officer Sergeant at MCI was suspected of manufacturing and storing homemade knives (shanks) and planting them on inmates. It was also alleged Sergeant Van Keuren was unlawfully confiscating inmates' property and falsifying disciplinary reports against them. Inmates Stephen Collazo DC #166301 and [REDACTED] were identified as witnesses. An investigation was initiated by the Office of the Inspector General to determine if evidence existed to support the allegations.

During the course of the investigation Inmate [REDACTED] was interviewed and indicated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Inmate Collazo was interviewed and indicated he observed Sergeant Van Keuren sharpening toothbrushes on the porch of G-Dormitory. This information could not be corroborated by any other evidence or witnesses.

Officer Fisher was interviewed and indicated sometime in January 2019, Inmate [REDACTED] told her about a box of shanks hidden in the cabinets in G-Dormitory. She searched the cabinets and found the box. She turned the box over to Captain Timothy Suppes. Captain Suppes was interviewed and recalled received a box of glass from an officer but he could not recall which officer and was not sure of the date. Captain Suppes indicated there was a broken window in one of the dormitories and the glass was placed in the box from that incident. Captain Suppes did not search the box but recalled it had glass on top. Captain Suppes indicated there may have been other things under the glass however, Captain Suppes denied discussing any shanks or discussing Sergeant Van Keuren with Officer Fisher.

Sergeant Pereira was interviewed and indicated he spoke with Inmate [REDACTED] in F-Dormitory around January 10, 2019. Officer Rodriguez was present during this conversation. Inmate [REDACTED] expressed concerns regarding Sergeant Van Keuren targeting him. Sergeant Pereira spoke with Mr. Whitt and told him what was going on. Inmate [REDACTED] was present. While he was talking with Mr. Whitt and Inmate [REDACTED] Sergeant Van Keuren told Sergeant Pereira that Inmate [REDACTED] was getting a disciplinary report for being in an unauthorized area in F-Dormitory. Sergeant Pereira and Officer Rodriguez both advised Sergeant Van Keuren that Inmate [REDACTED] was authorized to be in F-Dormitory by them and he should not received a disciplinary report for being in an unauthorized area. Sergeant Van Keuren processed a disciplinary report on Inmate [REDACTED] anyway. The original disciplinary report was reviewed. It was approved by Captain Gerald Miller. Captain Miller was interviewed and was shown the report. He indicated the signature on the report was a forgery and he would not have approved the report as written.

Officer Rodriguez was interviewed and confirmed Sergeant Pereira's testimony. She also indicated Inmate [REDACTED] told her about the hidden shanks in G-Dormitory but Officer Rodriguez never saw them herself. Officer Rodriguez indicated she observed many different examples of misconduct from Sergeant Van Keuren while she worked with her. During her statement, Officer Rodriguez described two incidents where she believed Sergeant Van Keuren abused inmates. Using Officer Rodriguez's testimony, departmental documentation was reviewed and compared to the testimony of Officer Rodriguez. Through investigative efforts, it was determined one incident occurred in the captain's office on November 22, 2018 and involved Inmate [REDACTED] Through documentation and an interview of

Inmate [redacted] and involved Inmate [redacted] Inmate [redacted] was interviewed and [redacted] The other incident occurred outside of F-Dormitory

FDC Use of Force Report #18-20411 and accompanying incident reports completed by Sergeant Van Keuren detailed an incident from November 22, 2018 involving Sergeant Van Keuren, Inmate [redacted] and Officer Jewell. Sergeant Van Keuren reported she was present in the captain's office with Inmate [redacted] and Officer Jewell. Inmate [redacted] became agitated and attempted to strike her with his right clenched fist. She shoved Inmate [redacted] backward away from her, took a step back and avoided the strike pulled her chemical agents and gave Inmate [redacted] several loud verbal orders to cease his actions and comply with hand restraints. Inmate [redacted] did not comply and took a step toward her in an aggressive manner. She utilized chemical agents on him and he became compliant.

Inmate [redacted] was interviewed and indicated [redacted]

Video from this incident was reviewed and it was all from after the incident. There was no known video available of the incident or what led up to the incident.


FDC Use of Force Report #19-00746 and accompanying incident reports completed by Sergeant Van Keuren detailed an incident from January 2, 2019 involving Sergeant Van Keuren and Inmate [redacted] Sergeant Van Keuren reported counseling with Inmate [redacted] outside of F-Dormitory when Inmate [redacted] turned directly toward her in an aggressive manner and stepped forward, waving his arms in an up and down motion. Sergeant Van Keuren indicated she took several steps back and ordered Inmate [redacted] to place his hands behind his back. Inmate [redacted] did not comply. Inmate [redacted] continued his disorderly behavior and stepped toward Sergeant Van Keuren in an aggressive manner. Sergeant Van Keuren sprayed Inmate [redacted] with chemical agents and he ceased his actions and became compliant. Officer Gallo was not named as a witness to this incident by Sergeant Van Keuren

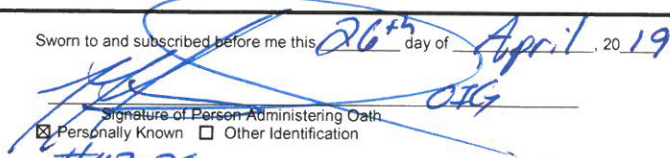
Inmate [redacted] was interviewed and indicated [redacted]

Video from this incident was reviewed and it was all from after the incident. There was no known video available of the incident or what led up to the incident.

113. The undersigned, being duly sworn, states that the foregoing information contained in an affidavit consisting of 2 pages is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of April, 2019


Signature of Officer/Complainant


Signature of Person Administering Oath

Personally Known Other Identification

K.N. LINGIS 12570
Officer/Complainant's Name (Printed) ID Number

#113026
ID Type

Seal

114. Adult's Relation to Juvenile Defendant: <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		115. Adult's Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____		
116. Address: (Street, Apartment Number) _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____		117. Residential Phone: _____		118. Business Phone _____
119. Notified By: (Name) _____		120. Date/Time: _____		121. Notification Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone
122. 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		