

PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

OBTS #		1. Arrest Affidavit 2. Notice to Appear	3. Complaint Affidavit 4. Request for Capias 5. Teen Court Referral	4	Juvenile	N
ORI #	FL037275C	Office of Inspector General - FDC		Report #	19-20803	
Location of Offense Taylor Correctional Institution			Date of Offense 11/25/2019		Date of Arrest	
Name: James Leighton						
Race W - White I - Indian American B - Black O - Oriental Asian	Sex W	DOB or Age 10/09/1987	Height 6'04"	Weight 185	Eye Color Hazel	Hair Color Blonde
Complexion Med		Build Med				
Address (Street, Apt, Number) LKA: Mayo Correctional Institution			(City) Jennings	(State) FL	Phone	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1. Parent <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Legal Custodian <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Other			Name of Parent or Custodian (Last, First, Middle)			Residence Phone () -
Address (Street, Apt, Number)			(City)	(State)	Business Phone () -	
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 D. Deliver E. Use	K. Dispense / Distribute	M. Manufacture / Produce / Cultivate	Z. Other	Type: N. N/A A. Amphetamine	B. Barbiturate C. Cocaine E. Heroine
		H. Hallucinogen M. Marijuana O. Opium / Deriv	F. Paraphernalia / Equipment S. Synthetic		U. Unknown Z. Other	
Charge Description Introduction of Contraband (electronic transmissions/ written 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 N	N	Amount / Unit		State Attorney Number	Court Number	
<input type="checkbox"/> PC #	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 Unlawful use of a two-way communication device			Counts 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord	State Violation Number: 934.215	
Violation of Section (ORD)						
Activity N	Drug Type N	Amount / Unit		State Attorney Number	Court Number	
<input type="checkbox"/> PC #	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 Conspiracy to Introduce Contraband			Counts 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Ord	State Violation Number: 777.04(3) & 944.47	
Violation of Section (ORD)						
Activity #	Drug Type	Amount / Unit		State Attorney Number	Court Number	
<input type="checkbox"/> PC #	<input type="checkbox"/> 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		

The Undersigned Certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe, and does believe that the above named Defendant committed the following Violation of the law:
 On the 25th day of November 2019 at 2:15 AM, PM (Specially include facts constituting cause for arrest)

Your Affiant is Senior Inspector Chip Potter with the Office of Inspector General for the Florida Department of Corrections, and the defendant is Inmate James Leighton DC# E46506 (*Inmate Leighton*). Your affiant has investigated a Conspiracy to Introduce Contraband into a state institution, Introduction of Contraband, and unlawful use of a two-way communication device, in response to Inmate Leighton being identified via text messages as utilizing a cell phone to communicate with former Inmate Malcom Majors (*co-defendant*) while Inmate Leighton was housed at Taylor Correctional Institution (*TCI*).



On November 25, 2019, Taylor County Sheriff's Deputy Anthony Fenton (*Deputy Fenton*) with the assistance of Taylor Correctional Institution (*TCI*) canine officers, arrested this suspect (*Mr. Major*) for possessing cell phones while on state correctional institution property, possession of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Your affiant was made aware of the arrest on the morning of November 25, 2019 and began an investigation of Conspiracy to introduce contraband (*cell phones located on Mr. Major's possession*). Mr. Major's personal cell phone was seized due to him being in possession of it during the commission of a felony. A search warrant was obtained and evidence from the cell phone showed text messages and phone calls made between he and an inmate named "Chevy", "Chevy2", and "Chevyz" later identified as Inmate Leighton, who was housed at TCI Main Unit. Some of the text messages sent by Inmate Leighton, from cell phone number 321-324-9003, were received by Mr. Major's phone after Mr. Major's arrest, asking Mr. Major if he had left his tools in the woods, which he did when he was arrested, indicating Inmate Leighton had knowledge of Mr. Major's attempts to introduce the contraband that he was located with in the early morning of November 25, 2019. Over the course

of several phone calls and text messages the two conspired to introduce contraband into TCI. A note was located in Inmate Leighton's property documenting money transactions between several individuals, one being Mr. Major for 1300, indicating 1300 dollars.

Your Affiant respectfully submits probable cause has been established indicating James Leighton did commit the violation of Introduction of Contraband into a state institution (*electronic transmissions/ written communication*) in violation of FSS 944.47(1)(a)1 and Unlawful use of a two-way communication device in violation of FSS 934.215 as well as Conspiracy to Introduce Contraband in Taylor County, Taylor Correctional Institution on and before November 25, 2019. Your Affiant respectfully requests a warrant be issued for Malcom Major for one count of FSS 944.47(1)(a)1 Introduction of contraband into a state institution (*electronic transmissions/ written communication*), one count of FSS 934.215, Unlawful use of a two-way communication device, and one count FSS 777.04(3) & 944.47, Conspiracy to introduce contraband.

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.

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