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CASE NO. 201204050155

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This affiant has been a police officer for eleven years and is currently assigned as a detective with the Chesterfield County Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division. The affiant has investigated violent crimes including rapes, robberies, and felonious assaults. Your affiant has applied for, obtained, and executed search warrants while investigating criminal activity. Detective Ash has been a police officer for over 20 years and is currently assigned to the property section of CID. Kimberly Pugh is a close friend of the victim and has assisted in the investigation. Pugh does not have a criminal record. Peter Paoli is also a close friend and co-worker who has assisted in the investigation.

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The statements above are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Detective

TITLE OF APPLICANT (IF ANY)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day.

4/7/2012 11:26 am

DATE AND TIME

BE Conner #641

APPLICANT

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Kimberly Pugh, a close friend of Leyla's advised police that Leyla recently had broken up with a Michael Edwards. She advised that Michael had become very jealous and did not take the breakup well, at one point he had choked Leyla. She stated that Leyla was so fearful of him that she would not stay at her house for a few days following the incident. A journal was located in Leyla's residence that contained an entry from 02/19/2012. In the entry she wrote about Michael choking her, about his jealousy and her fear of him. Pugh told officers that Leyla relayed to her that Michael told Leyla, "I'll get you," and "I'll see you in the street."

The only items discovered missing from Leyla's residence were her two cell phones and her pocketbook. There was no evidence of clothing missing or that Leyla was planning to leave to go anywhere. Her passport was found in her home. Leyla's bank accounts have been checked and there has been no activity since 04/04/2012.

Leyla's personal phone was called but went straight to voicemail. Her work phone was pinged or electronically located by the phone company and later found by Chesterfield Police Detective Brad Conner in the woods on the side of Interstate 95 North, near that Atlee/Elmont exit.

Michael Edwards was contacted by Chesterfield Police Detective Brad Conner and Edwards came to Henrico Police Headquarters on 04/06/2012 for an interview. During the course of the interview Michael Edwards made several inconsistent statements and admitted to lying to investigators. Michael finally admitted to going to see Leyla on Wednesday night, 04/04/2012. He also admits to parking outside of her residence early Thursday morning, 04/05/2012. Michael's phone records place him in the area of Leyla's residence for over five hours. Michael's cell phone records show him at Leyla's Wednesday night, 04/04/2012, and Thursday morning, 04/05/2012, which is when Leyla went missing. Cell phone records for Michael also place him in the area of Interstate 95 North, where Leyla's phone was later recovered. Michael's phone records then put him at his residence, 3808 Chamberlyne Ave, Apt 17, after leaving Leyla's. He advised detectives during his interview that he went home Thursday morning, 04/05/2012, and took a nap before going into work. Edwards stated that the vehicle he drove to Leyla's residence on 4/4/2012 and 4/5/2012 is the vehicle that is described in section II of this affidavit. This vehicle is registered the Edwards. *BeC*

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The material facts constituting probable cause that the search should be made are:

On 4/5/2012, officers with the Chesterfield County Police Department responded to 2031 Normandstone Drive located in Chesterfield County for a check the welfare call. Once on scene, it was discovered that the residence was locked and the owner, Leyla Namirian's only vehicle was in the garage. Information was relayed to the officers that Leyla had not shown up to work, Altria (Philip Morris). The information was received from a co-worker at her place of employment. Officers gained entry into the residence and located no one inside. Based on information from friends as to what Leyla usually had, the only thing that appeared to be missing was a purse and two cell phones. Officers on scene conducted an interview with another of Leyla's co-workers, Kimberly Pugh. Pugh stated that it was totally out of character for Leyla to not show up to work and that she had some very high level meetings on 4/5/2012 that she wouldn't have missed. Pugh continued to state that Leyla had been in a relationship with a Michael subject and that he wasn't taking the breakup very well.

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Career Detective

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April 6 2012 AT 8:30 AM

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Pugh stated that the relationship ended about two months ago. Pugh stated that Leyla had told her that during their breakup, Michael would come over to her residence unannounced and that they had gotten into several arguments. Pugh further relayed to officers that Leyla had confided in her that on one occasion recently, Michael had choked her and she stayed with Pugh for the night. Pugh stated that about two weeks ago Leyla confided in her that Michael came to her residence one night looking for a DVD, an altercation ensued and Michael made the statement, "Someday I'll see you out in the street and I'm gonna get you." One of the neighbors was interviewed, Bernard Lombardi who stated that around 0515 hours on 4/5/2012, he was walking his dog and noticed a black male walking towards Leyla's residence, across Leyla's front yard. Bernard indicated he did not know where the black male went. Bernard's wife, Kathryn, stated that she had seen a two tone ragged top Cadillac, similar to the vehicle that Michael drives parked down the street from Leyla's residence on March 30, 2012. Kathryn indicated that she had seen Leyla's ex-boyfriend (Michael) and that the car he drove was similar to the vehicle that was parked down the street a few weeks ago. Investigative leads were followed and Michael was found to be Michael Anthony Edwards. A cell phone number was located for Edwards, 804-869-5441. Detective Ash with the Chesterfield County Police Department called the number and identified himself and requested to speak with Michael. Michael proceeded to ask Detective Ash what the call was in reference to and Detective Ash indicated it was reference to Leyla. At this point, Michael told Det. Ash that they had broken up about three months ago and that he still loved her. Michael refused to meet Detective Ash and stated that he would call him back. This phone call was around 2200 hours and as of yet, Michael has not returned Detective Ash's call. In the early morning hours of 4/6/2012, Detectives received information from AT&T that a "ping" had been recorded for a cell phone that belonged to Leyla. This "ping" had been requested by the police to locate Leyla's phone. AT&T was able to give coordinates to Detective Conner within a 14 meter radius. Detective Conner and Sergeant Zeheb responded to the GPS coordinates which was I-95 Northbound approximately 1 mile before the Atlee Elmont Exit in Henrico County. On scene, officers located the phone in the woods off of the interstate. The phone appeared to have been thrown into the woods. Officers were unable to locate the victim or any evidence the victim had been at this location. The victim has another cell phone which is her personal cell phone and that phone has not been located. AT&T was contacted and provided phone records to Detective Conner for Leyla's personal cell phone. Those records show that at 1354 hours on 4/5/2012, there is an incoming phone call placed to the cell phone with the tower that the phone is hitting off of being located in the area of Old Brook Road and North Avenue. Michael Edwards has one of his address listed as 4021 North Avenue, apartment 3. Michael Edwards has a criminal history that includes abduction and malicious wounding. AT&T has phone towers located within the Commonwealth of Virginia. Leyla is the sole owner and occupant of the residence described in Section II of this Affidavit.

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Master Detective

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B.E. Conner
APPLICANT

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Based on the current investigation, Michael Edward's interview, and the cell phone records already obtained, your affiant firmly believes the cell phone owned by Micheal Edwards (currently in police possession) contains evidence in the missing person case of Leyla Namirianian.

BE Conner
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