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STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF OLMSTED

DISTRICT COURT
3RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

APPLICATION FOR SEARCH WARRANT

I, Ben Schlag, a licensed peace officer in the State of Minnesota, make an application to this Court for a warrant to search the device(s) described below, for the property and thing(s) described below.

I know the content of this application and affirm that the statements contained in this application are true based on my own knowledge, or are believed to be true.

I believe that the following described property and thing(s), namely:

Evidence related to the unlawful possession, storage, transportation, manufacture, sale, and/or distribution of controlled substances, contained within the identified video surveillance server and its associated digital storage media, including solid-state drives (SSDs) and hard disk drives (HDDs). Such evidence shall include the following, as related to the offenses under investigation:

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Identification of Involved Individuals: Recordings and associated digital evidence identifying individuals involved in, facilitating, or otherwise associated with the suspected controlled substance activity, including evidence establishing their presence, actions, interactions, and involvement in the offenses under investigation.

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System Configuration and Recording Information: Surveillance system configuration files, databases, camera assignments, recording schedules, data retention settings, system date and time settings, time zone configurations, and other information necessary to accurately interpret, reconstruct, authenticate, and establish the chronological sequence of relevant recorded events.

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Electronic policy/procedure manuals, training logs, training documents that may be stored on the SSD/HDDs hereafter described.

Evidence of Data Manipulation or Destruction: Digital artifacts indicating the intentional deletion, alteration, concealment, removal, exportation, or destruction of relevant surveillance recordings, including changes to recording schedules, camera settings, system configurations, and data retention settings.

Copies and Backups: Locally stored copies, backups, exported recordings, archived footage, and other reproductions of the evidentiary material described above, regardless of file format or storage location within the identified devices.

The requested evidence shall include relevant data maintained within the operating system, surveillance software, associated databases, file systems, allocated and unallocated storage space, and other accessible or recoverable portions of the identified digital storage media, provided such data relates to the evidence and offenses specifically described within this warrant.

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is or are stored within the device(s) described as:

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The electronic device(s) listed above was/were obtained from The Landing, 426 3rd Avenue SE in the City of Rochester, on November 23rd, 2026, pursuant to a search warrant signed by the Honorable Judge Daily of the 3rd Judicial District on November 22nd, 2026.

The electronic device(s) is/are currently being held at the Rochester Police Department Technology Forensic Laboratory, located at the Olmsted County Law Enforcement Center: 101 4th St SE, Rochester, MN 55904.

The electronic device(s) will be forensically searched at at the Rochester Police Department Technology Forensic Laboratory, located at the Olmsted County Law Enforcement Center: 101 4th St SE, Rochester, MN 55904.

located in the city or township of Rochester, County of Olmsted, State of Minnesota.

I apply for a search warrant on the following grounds:

- The property or things above-described constitutes evidence which tends to show a crime has been committed, or tends to show that a particular person has committed a crime.

The facts establishing the grounds for issuance of a search warrant are as follows:

Your affiant is a sworn Peace Officer and Sergeant with the Rochester Police Department. Your affiant has been a sworn Peace Officer since March of 2007 and employed with the Rochester Police Department since 2011. Your Affiant currently oversees the Rochester Police Department's Criminal Intelligence Unit. Your affiant has been trained by the Rochester Police Department, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, Drug Enforcement

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Administration, and Midwest Counter Drug Training Center. Training has included, but is not limited to, Crime Scene Investigation, Conspiracy/Money Laundering, interview and interrogation, law enforcement leadership, and the national and international drug trade. Affiant has written and assisted in the execution of numerous search warrants which have led to arrests and convictions.

In August of 2026, the Rochester Police Department's Narcotics and Covert Operations (NCO) Unit initiated an investigation into narcotics related activity at The Landing, 426 3rd Avenue SE, in the City of Rochester. An individual came forward to Rochester Police Detectives with concerns surrounding the possession and distribution of illegal narcotics by both clients, as well as staff members of The Landing (hereinafter, "staff").

Upon receipt of the initial report, it was determined Confidential Informant (CI-1), was a former employee of The Landing. In speaking with CI-1, they reported clients would come into the facility and turn their illegal drugs over to staff members. The staff would hold onto the drugs behind the front counter in an unsecure plastic drawer which was accessible to all staff. Upon the departure of the client from the facility, they would request their drugs back. Staff would then retrieve the drugs from the drawer and provide them back to the client.

CI-1 reported management, specifically Operations Director Shawna Bowman, was aware of and directing staff to conduct business in this manner.

The Rochester Police Department was previously aware of drug investigations, and overdose deaths, in which the investigation led directly back to The Landing. These incidents were of public safety concern to law enforcement.

Given the initial reporting to the Rochester Police Department, and the public safety concerns which arose from it, the Narcotics and Covert Operations (NCO) initiated a series of covert investigations in an attempt corroborate the reporting. These investigations spanned from August 2026 to November of 2026. The investigations took place over the course of several months with no connection which would lead to a certain employee or shift.

From August to November of 2026, seven undercover operations were initiated by the Rochester Police Department in furtherance of the investigation. Multiple Confidential Informants (CIs) were utilized in accordance with RPD's policies and procedures.

For reasons pertaining to the personal safety and security of the Confidential Informants mentioned in this affidavit, along with ongoing criminal investigations, their identities, as well as the exact dates, are being withheld. It should be noted that all Confidential Informants in this investigation were working independently of each other without shared knowledge or cooperation.

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The basis of the operations centered around introducing simulated controlled substances and/or firearms, specifically methamphetamine, that a Confidential Informant would bring into the facility just the same as any other client in the course of normal business.

Covert Operations:

Operation #1:

The Rochester Police Department provided simulated methamphetamine to a Confidential Informant, specifically CI-2, and outfitted them with covert audio/video surveillance equipment. NCO Detectives surveilled the area to monitor the investigation. CI-2 entered the facility and requested an employee hold onto their drugs while they were in the facility. The staff member put on a latex style glove and put it in the drawer that had been previously described by CI-1. Upon the subsequent departure from the facility by CI-2, they asked a staff member for their drugs back. A staff member, who has been identified by the Rochester Police Department, retrieved the simulated methamphetamine and returned it to CI-2. CI-2 then returned the simulated substance back to RPD Detectives.

Operation #2:

CI-3 entered The Landing, following the same procedure mentioned above, and requested an employee retain their methamphetamine. The employee accepted the methamphetamine and advised they would arrange for it's storage. When CI-3 returned to the desk for departure, the employee handed the substance back to CI-3 with their name written on the packaging. This employee has also been fully identified by the Rochester Police Department due to the covert surveillance equipment which capture the incident and interaction.

Operation #3:

CI-3 entered The Landing, following the same procedure mentioned above, and made contact with an employee at the check in desk. CI-3 turned over simulated methamphetamine to the employee. The employee accepted the substance, wrote CI-3's name on the packaging, and stored it for them. Upon departure, the employee retrieved the substance, brought the client outside the facility into the parking lot, and returned it to them. This employee has been fully identified by the Rochester Police Department due to the covert audio/video surveillance equipment as well as Detectives conducting surveillance in the area during the investigation.

Operation #4:

CI-3 entered The Landing, following the same procedure mentioned above, and approached

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two employees who were together. CI-3 requested they hold onto their methamphetamine. Both employees agreed and accepted the methamphetamine for CI-3. Upon departure, the methamphetamine was retrieved from storage and returned to CI-3 in the facility. Both employees actively participated in acceptance, storage, and return of the methamphetamine.

Operation #5:

CI-4 entered The Landing, following the same procedure mentioned above, and approached a staff member requesting drug storage. The employee advised CI-4 they weren't allowed to store drugs for clients anymore. The employee instructed CI-4 not to use the drugs in the facility and not to tell anyone about it. The employee allowed CI-4 into facility knowing they were in possession of controlled substances.

Operation #6:

CI-4 entered the Landing, following the same procedure mentioned above, and introduced simulated methamphetamine as well as a simulated firearm. CI-4 made contact with an employee and presented the methamphetamine and firearm to the staff member. The employee assisted CI-4 in placing the methamphetamine and firearm into a storage locker in the facility. Upon departure of CI-4, the property was returned to CI-4. The employee has been fully identified by the Rochester Police Department.

Operation #7:

CI-4 entered the Landing, following the same procedures mentioned above, and introduced simulated methamphetamine to an employee. The employee gave CI-4 the option of either keeping the substance on their person or putting it in a bag for storage in a locker inside the facility. CI-4 also interacted with another employee who advised they were familiar with the procedure and assisted in getting the methamphetamine into a storage locker. Both employees have been fully identified by the Rochester Police Department. It has been determined one of the employees was a shift leader who manages staff.

Follow-up interviews:

In November of 2026, Rochester Police Detectives conducted an interview with a staff member at The Landing. The staff member reported to have been employed by The Landing for several months and was familiar with both the facility leadership as well as the staff. The staff member reported the current policy/procedure of the facility involved clients store their property, to include contraband such as weapons and illegal drugs, in a locker. The employee described their training to include returning all property, regardless of the legality of the item. The employee advised the practice of accepting, storing, and returning illegal

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items by staff members was in place until around August or September of 2026. The staff member reported they were unsure if the practice of accepting and storing illegal contraband was in a policy manual, or if it was an unwritten procedure.

The employee also reported that a previous employee of the facility disagreed with the practice of accepting, storing, and returning illegal drugs and other contraband to clients. The former employee voiced their concerns to management. The employee was subsequently terminated from the facility. The reporting employed believed the termination was directly related to the procedure, but they could not definitively confirm that.

The employee also advised law enforcement that staff were "generally" advised to cooperate with law enforcement, but management created a list of officers who were allowed to entered the facility. Management advised all staff to disallow law enforcement entry into the facility unless they were on the list of approved officers. The employee advised this list was disseminated by Shawna Bowman, the Director of Operations.

In November of 2026, the Rochester Police Department attempted to conduct an additional interview with a staff member regarding the ongoing investigation. At the time of that interview, the Rochester Police Department was alerted that management was aware of the interview, and it was probable management would be monitoring the interview. Given the potential for managerial influence tainting the employee's ability to provide a genuine statement, the RPD did not conduct the interview.

Investigative Findings:

Throughout the investigation, it was determined by the Rochester Police Department that numerous employees, as well as management, knowingly allowed clients and staff to possess and distribute illegal drugs and firearms in and around the facility. This policy/procedure was given to staff and trained. Upon the change in the policy/procedure, staff continued to allow for the intake and storage of illegal drugs and firearms into the facility. In some cases, staff knowingly allowed clients to introduce and possess illegal substances in the facility.

Facility Search Warrant:

Given the ongoing investigation, the Rochester Police Department applied for, and was granted a search warrant for the facility. The search warrant reviewed by both the Olmsted County Attorney's Office as well a 3rd Judicial District Judge prior to being signed.

On 11/23/2026, at around 0700 hours, the Rochester Police Department served the search warrant after contacting the Director of Operations, Shawna Bowman. The decision was made by RPD not to allow entry into the facility during the search warrant. This decision was

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made to ensure the efficiency of operations and to avoid conflict while inside. The Landing allows client entry at 0800 hours, so it was the intention of RPD to complete our investigative duties at or before the opening of the facility.
During the search of the facility, the Rochester Police Department seized items listed on the warrant. The items included policy/procedure manuals, training logs, training documents, and electronic surveillance equipment. We did not locate illegal drugs. This further indicated to RPD that illegal drugs commonly come into and leave the facility.

It should be noted that during the search of the facility, Executive Director Alex Hurlebaus arrived and demanded entry into the facility, which was denied by an RPD Supervisor. For the remainder of the search, Hurlebaus berated law enforcement outside calling them names, and commenting on their appearance. Hurlebaus walked around Detectives vehicles recording license plates and spoke to a group of clients that were outside. Hurlebaus publicly stated to the group that RPD was there planting drugs for a later search warrant and was closing the facility. These statements were undoubtedly untrue and potentially damaging.

In the time since the search warrant was executed, Hurlebaus, and others, have made several public statements regarding their willingness to cooperate with RPD and the investigation. Although these statements appear to be genuine in nature, it is clear to the Rochester Police Department that is not the case and a search warrant to inspect the devices is necessary. Hurlebaus, during the investigation of an overdose in April of 2025 and stemming into November of 2025, denied RPD access to the facilities video surveillance. After engagement with management by RPD staff, it was continually denied and a search warrant was sought and executed.

The Rochester Police Department cleared the facility at 0808 hours and turned it back over to staff for operations. At no time did the Rochester Police Department advise staff of the need for any ongoing closure.

During the execution of the search warrant, the Rochester Police Department seized facility surveillance equipment described as follows:

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Given the ongoing investigation, the Rochester Police Department is requesting this search warrant to allow for the forensic extraction of data from these devices as we believe it will contain evidence of illegal activity, specially related to the possession and distribution of illegal controlled substances, as well as firearms. It has become apparent to the Rochester Police Department that both clients, and staff, are routinely possessing and distributing illegal substances in the facility.

Authorization is requested for qualified digital forensic examiners to conduct a comprehensive forensic examination of the identified video surveillance server and its associated digital storage media, including all identified solid-state drives (SSDs) and hard disk drives (HDDs) contained therein.

Such examination may include the creation of forensic images or working copies, reconstruction of storage arrays, including Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID) configurations, examination of allocated and unallocated storage space, recovery of deleted or fragmented data, examination of proprietary surveillance file formats and databases, and the extraction, processing, analysis, reconstruction, conversion, and exportation of digital evidence responsive to this search warrant.

The examination may be conducted utilizing specialized forensic hardware, software, and other commercially available or law enforcement forensic tools necessary to locate, recover, preserve, authenticate, and document the evidence specifically described within this warrant, while maintaining the integrity of the original evidence to the extent technically practicable.

POTENTIAL NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FORENSIC PROCESSING TIME:

Based on my knowledge, training, and experience, I am aware that mobile electronic devices, to include the specific ones seized and outlined in this search warrant, can store large amounts of data containing information related to the investigation. In addition, I am also aware that images, videos, messages, text files, or other data of evidentiary value, may be hidden on a mobile electronic device, password protected, and/or encrypted. Data and mobile electronic devices that are encrypted (encoded with special software) or password protected, may add significantly more time to this examination and analysis, which is unlikely to be completed within 10 days from the issuance of the warrant. As such, I respectfully request that the Court permit additional time as necessary, to execute the extraction and analysis of the data on the mobile electronic device to determine if it/they contain(s) evidence related to the investigation, so long as the search and/or attempted

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search is initiated with 10 days from the issuance of the warrant.

I request that pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 626.085, subd. 4(b) and Minn. Stat. § 626A.42, subd. 4(b), the notice and inventory be delayed for a period of 90 days or until the objective of the warrant has been accomplished, whichever is shorter. Additionally, the warrant will be filed with the court administrator within ten days of the expiration of the warrant.

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A nighttime search outside the hours of 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. is necessary because forensic examination of the aforementioned device(s) involves the use of specialized software that may require running beyond a thirteen hour time span.

I request a search warrant be issued, commanding Ben Schlag, a peace officer of the State of Minnesota, and any other authorized person, to enter and search between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m., and a nighttime search outside those hours, to search the above-described device(s) for the described property and thing(s), and to seize and keep said property and thing(s) in custody until dealt with according to law, including authorization to have the seized property and thing(s) to be analyzed by a forensic laboratory.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything stated in this document is true and correct.

Applicant: Ben Schlag
Rochester Police Department
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DISTRICT COURT
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SEARCH WARRANT

TO: BEN SCHLAG, A PEACE OFFICER OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

WHEREAS, Ben Schlag has this day under penalty of perjury made an application to this Court for a warrant to search the following described device(s):

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WHEREAS, the application of Ben Schlag was duly presented and read by the Court, and being fully advised in the premises.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Court finds that probable cause exists for the issuance of a search warrant upon the following ground(s):

- The property or things above-described constitutes evidence which tends to show a crime has been committed, or tends to show that a particular person has committed a crime.

The court further finds that probable cause exists to believe that the above-described property and thing(s) is or are stored within the above-described device(s).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 626.085, subd. 4(b) and Minn. Stat. § 626A.42, subd. 4(b), that the application and this warrant be sealed for a period of 90 days from the issuance of this warrant or until the objective of the warrant has been accomplished, whichever is shorter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 626.085, subd. 4(b) and Minn. Stat. § 626A.42, subd. 4(b), that the applicant agency shall file this warrant with the court

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administrator as a public document within ten days of the expiration of the warrant unless a request not to file has been granted pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 626.085, subd. 4(c).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 626.085, subd. 4(b) and Minn. Stat. § 626A.42, subd. 4(b), the applicant agency shall file the application with the court administrator as a public document immediately following the commencement of any criminal proceeding utilizing evidence obtained in or as a result of the search, or at any other time as the court directs.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any notice and inventory required pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 626.085, subd. 4(a) and Minn. Stat. § 626A.42, subd. 4(b), shall be provided by the applicant agency to the owner/operator associated with the seized device within a reasonable time not later than ninety (90) days after the authorization to seal the application and warrant has expired.

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The court further finds that in order to accomplish the search of the above-described property, the operation of specialized forensic examination tools exceeding the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. is necessary and is authorized accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, you Ben Schlag, peace officer of the State of Minnesota, and any other authorized person, are hereby commanded to enter and search between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m., and a nighttime search outside those hours, to search the above-described device(s), for the described property and thing(s), and to seize and keep said property and thing(s) in custody until dealt with according to law, including authorization to have the seized property and thing(s) to be analyzed by a forensic laboratory.

BY THE COURT

ISSUED ON: 24 November, 2026

Judicial Officer: **Christa M. Daily**
Judge of District Court
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STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF OLMSTED DISTRICT COURT

RECEIPT, INVENTORY AND RETURN

I, SGT Ben Schlag, received the attached search warrant issued by the Honorable Judge Daily, on 11/24/2026, and have executed it as follows:

Pursuant to the warrant, on 11/24/2026, at 02:00 o'clock pm, I searched the following described in the search warrant.

☐ Premises ☐ Motor Vehicle ☐ Person ☑ Device

I have left a true and correct copy of the search warrant (with) (in) (at)
with the devices in Rochester Police Department evidence located at 101 4th Street SE, Rochester MN 55904.

I took into custody the property and things listed below: (attach and identify additional sheets if necessary)
Electronic Data imaged/extracted/retreived from RPD evidence items P26012539A, P26012539B, P26012539C pursuant to a search warrant executed on 11/23/2026 at 426 3rd Avenue SE in the City of Rochester.

Check the appropriate:

☑ I left a receipt for the property and things listed above with a copy of the warrant.

☐ None of the items set forth in the search warrant was found.

☑ I shall retain or deliver custody of said property as directed by court order.

"I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct." Minn. Stat. 358.116.

SGT Ben Schlag #2388 Date: 11/24/2026
(Signature)
County: Olmsted State: MN

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