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INTERIM COMPLAINT

STATE OF ARIZONA

Date June 4, 2025

vs.

Court Justice

Pima County, State of Arizona

Hunter Lee Poppe DOB [REDACTED]

No. 1

Defendant's Name (Please Print)

Precinct No. 1

BOND RECOMMENDATION

Arresting Agency Tucson Police Dept

High Bond ☒

Low Bond ☐

Agency Case No. P2501240188

No Recommendation ☐

Arresting Officer Orozco #42617

Hold Without Bond ☐

INTERIM COMPLAINT: To be used only where necessary to comply with the provisions of Rule 4.1, *Arizona Rules of Criminal Procedure*.

PLEASE PRINT CHARGING INFORMATION

The undersigned, having appeared personally and having been duly sworn does, upon information and belief, accuse Hunter Lee Poppe of the crime(s) of Child Abuse (F2), First degree Murder (F1)

committed on the 24 day of January, 20 25, in Pima County, in violation of A.R.S. Section 13-3623 (A1), 13-1105 (A2)

Statute(s)

06-05-25

Offense Time/Date

Offense Location

Arrest Time/Date

Arrest Location:

T. Orozco 40350

Complaining Witness

T. Orozco TPO

Name and Agency (Please Print)

Statement of Probable Cause:

Amanda Durain is the biological mother of SP. Hunter Poppe is not the biological father of SP but signed her birth certificate. Hunter and Amanda are the primary care givers for SP and live together at [REDACTED] with Hunter's elderly grandfather.

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June 4, 2025

Date

T. Orozco 42617

Reporting Officer / Badge No.

This court has found reasonable cause to believe that such offense was committed and that the defendant committed it.

06/05/25

Date

[Signature]
Justice of the Peace / Magistrate

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Defendant's Name: Hunter Lee Poppe Agency Case No. P2501240188

Statement of Probable Cause continued:

On 1/24/2025 Amanda Durain called 911 stating her 3-month-old baby, SP, was having trouble breathing and not responding. Amanda's boyfriend, Hunter Poppe got on the phone and said SP's breathing was labored. Hunter was given instructions on CPR. Hunter did CPR until TFD arrived and transported the baby to Tucson Medical Center for treatment. At TMC hospital SP, had a CT scan and was found to have multiple subdurals (brain bleeds) of different ages and sizes. She was transported to Banner University Medical Center for a higher level of care.

At BUMC hospital SP had a full skeletal survey and she was found to have a left tibial corner fracture, age indeterminate fracture of right posterior 11th rib, age indeterminate fractures of left anterolateral 5th, 6th, and 7th rib.

Amanda and Hunter had different accounts of the incident leading up to SP going unresponsive.

Hunter said around 6:30 pm SP woke up restless and they thought she had gas. He did bicycle motions with her legs, laid her on her stomach and rubbed his fingers up and down to shake things around in her belly. Hunter and Amanda took turns trying different things for her stomach. It lasted about thirty minutes. At one point Hunter and Amanda went outside to smoke a cigarette while SP was lying on their adult bed. They heard her crying and went back inside. He started rubbing her stomach and then she started to cry and wouldn't stop. She tensed up and her arms were up by her head. She went pale and stopped breathing. When she took breaths, they were labored and not normal. Amanda called 911 while he started CPR. He continued CPR until TFD arrived and took over.

Amanda said around 5pm SP woke up and they walked with her around their room and played with her. Amanda went to lay SP in the bassinet which is located on the bed and SP fell a few inches into the bassinet as she was laying her down. SP would not go to sleep in the bassinet so Hunter picked her up from the bassinet and placed her on the mattress of the bed. SP fussed a little bit but then fell asleep. They went outside. About 10 minutes later they heard her squeal and went back inside the room. SP was unresponsive, pale and not breathing.

Hunter did not have any explanation for SP's injuries and denied any falls, drops, or shakes.

Amanda did not know how SP received her injuries. Amanda said maybe the exercises they did on her could have caused some of the injuries but SP never cried or looked like she was in pain when they did them. Amanda also suggested that the leg fracture could have been from a diaper change when she kicked her leg out.

SP was evaluated by Dr. Cramton, a (Child At Risk Evaluation Team member) for concerns of non-accidental trauma. In her evaluation she said, "The bony injuries discovered in a 2-month-old who is not rolling, crawling, or walking are consistent with inflicted injury. There are no organic disease processes that cause intracranial bleeding and fractures. Despite the absence of retinal hemorrhages, there is significant concern for abusive head injury."

SP was found to have a nonsurvivable brain injury and died on 1/29/ 2025.

An autopsy of SP was conducted on 2/3/2025. The opinion of Morgan Long, DO was as followed: "In consideration of the known circumstances surrounding this death, the available medical history, and the examination of the remains, the cause of the death is ascribed to blunt force injuries. The manner of death is homicide."

Justification for Bond Recommendation:

Injuries of the victim, repetitive incidents, flight risk