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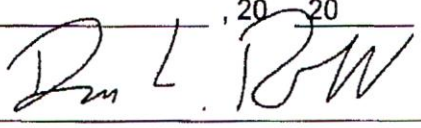
Cheshire County Superior COURT

ARREST WARRANT

TO THE SHERIFF OF ANY COUNTY IN THIS STATE OR DEPUTY, OR ANY POLICE OFFICER
WITHIN THE STATE:

WHEREAS, the Complainant, Sergeant Stephen Sloper
of the New Hampshire State Police Major Crime Unit in Concord, NH
in the County of Cheshire has exhibited to me, Hon. David W Ruoff
Cheshire, a Justice/Justice of the Peace in the County of
Cheshire, his complaint upon oath against the Defendant,
Armando Barron (DOB 11/15/1989), of NH 03452
Cheshire, in the County of
Cheshire for the crime of: Capital Murder
630:1, I(b) (RSA 630:1, I(b)).

WE COMMAND YOU to take the Defendant, if found to be in your precinct, and bring him before
the Cheshire County Superior Court Court.

Dated the September day of 24, 2020

Justice/Justice of the Peace

RETURN _____)
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE _____)
COUNTY OF _____)

I have arrested the Defendant and now have him/her before the Court as commanded.

Date

Name of Officer

Title of Officer

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
~~8th CIRCUIT-DISTRICT DIVISION JAFFREY~~

CESHIRE, SS

SEPTEMBER 2020

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF ARREST WARRANT

I, Sergeant Stephen Sloper, being duly sworn, depose and say:

I am a Detective Sergeant with the New Hampshire State Police – Major Crime Unit and have been a member of this Unit since 2016. Prior to joining the New Hampshire State Police, I was employed by the Ogunquit Police Department from 2006 to 2008. I have been employed with the New Hampshire State Police as a Trooper since 2008. I graduated from the University of Southern Maine in 2007 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History. I successfully completed the 146th New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Police Academy in Concord, NH. During my time with the Major Crime Unit, I completed the International Homicide Investigation Associate (IHIA) – Basic Homicide Investigation course, and polygraph school, crime scene investigations. Since joining the Major Crime Unit, I have been involved in investigating multiple homicides and suspicious death investigations to include missing persons cases; several of which I have been assigned as the lead investigator.

The information set forth below is based upon my personal involvement in the investigation into the disappearance and murder of Jonathan Amerault (DOB: 01/27/1995), from Keene, New Hampshire, as well as what I have learned from discussions with other New Hampshire State Police troopers, officers of the Keene and Jaffrey Police Departments, conservation officers of the New Hampshire Fish and Game's Law Enforcement Division, and other law enforcement involved in the investigation:

- 1) On Monday, September 21, 2020, Justine Amerault reported to the Keene Police Department that her son, Jonathan Amerault, age 25 was missing. She reported that she had not heard from her son since September 19, 2020. She stated he did not show up for work that morning nor did he call in sick for work. Officers conducted a welfare check at his residence at 21 West Diane in Keene, NH, and were unable to locate him or his vehicle, a grey Subaru Impreza, bearing NH registration 3449369.
- 2) Jonathan was an employee at Teleflex Medical in Jaffrey, NH. Investigators reached out to Teleflex, and learned that Jonathan had not arrived for work on Monday morning as scheduled. Teleflex also told investigators that a close coworker of Jonathan's, Brittany Barron (DOB: 4/23/1989), also did not report for work that morning. They told investigators that Brittany Barron spoke over the phone with human resources staff that morning to inform them that she would not be at work and was going to quit her job. Teleflex believed that Jonathan and Brittany Barron may have been in a relationship with one another despite Brittany's married status.
- 3) Investigators proceeded to Brittany Barron's residence at 63 Main Street in Jaffrey, NH. Once there, they made contact with a resident identified as Brittany Barron's mother-in-law, Marialena Robliedo. She told investigators that she believed her son, Armando Barron (DOB: 11/15/1989), and Brittany were hiking in northern New Hampshire, while she was staying at home to watch the children. She indicated that Armando and Brittany Barron lived at the adjacent address of 63 Main Street.

- 4) At 10:20 PM of Monday, September 21, 2020, officers later saw Armando Barron's vehicle parked at 63 Main Street in Jaffrey, New Hampshire, and stopped to make contact with him. Armando Barron was driving a 2008 Jeep Patriot, bearing New Hampshire registration 3682420. This vehicle was registered to Scott Rekas. Scott Rekas is the boyfriend of Armando Barron's mother, Marialena Robliedo. Scott Rekas lives at 65 Main Street in Jaffrey with Marialena Robliedo. The officers had been informed of the missing person search, and asked Armando Barron where his wife was. He said that he last was with her in the overnight hours of Saturday, September 19th, going into Sunday, September 20th at around 2:00 AM. Armando Barron said he dropped Britany off on the side of the road at Temple Mountain in Temple, New Hampshire. He stated that when he left her, she allegedly told him that she was going camping with friends. He then went on to say that he was despondent over the status of their marriage and drove around, not wanting to go home to his children in his current state. Strikingly, he told investigators that he drove to Errol, New Hampshire, and then turned around and went back home. He said that he talked to Britany on and off on Sunday morning, until 7:00 AM, when she told him to stop talking.
- 5) Temple, New Hampshire is in Hillsborough County, while Errol, New Hampshire is in Coos County. According to online mapping programs such as Google Maps, and traveling the most direct and time efficient route, it is approximately 193 miles to go from Temple Mountain to Errol, New Hampshire. These programs also estimate that it would take approximately 3 hours and 38 minutes for a one-way drive.
- 6) Members of the Keene Police Department spoke with a friend of Britany's. She showed them group text messages with Britany from Sunday, September 20, 2020, periodically between 11:00 AM Sunday and 4:00 PM Monday. The text messages included Britany talking about not being able to see her children anytime soon, starting a new job, and heading to start over in New Mexico where her sister lives. The text messages also indicated that Britany told Jonathan that she could not speak with him any longer and that she was taking some space from Armando Barron. Britany would not tell her friend where she was.
- 7) On Tuesday, September 22, 2020, members of the New Hampshire State Police attempted to identify the whereabouts of cellphones known to belong to both missing persons, Jonathan Amerault and Britany Barron. New Hampshire State Police Investigators received call detail records for Jonathan's Verizon Wireless cell phone (603) 801-7518 under exigency. These records indicated that Jonathan's device was in the Keene area on Saturday, September 19, 2020, until approximately 11:00 - 11:15 PM, when the device began to move towards the Jaffrey area. The records also indicated that Jonathan's device began using a cell tower in the Jaffrey area at approximately 11:30 PM. The records revealed that Jonathan's cellular device used a cell tower that services several locations, including Britany Barron's, residence at 63 Main Street in Jaffrey as well as his work at Teleflex, located at 50 Plantation Drive in Jaffrey. The records also indicated that Jonathan's cellular device did not connect with any other tower. Records indicated the phone's last data hit was on September 22, 2020, at approximately 2:52 AM.
- 8) New Hampshire State Police Investigators also received call detail records for Britany Barron's Verizon Wireless cell phone (603) 933-2659 under exigency. The records indicated that Britany's cellular device was in the Temple Mountain area on Saturday, September 19, 2020, at approximately

9:45 PM. The records also indicated that Britany's cellular device began to use the Jaffrey area cell towers at approximately 10:00 PM, and remained there until approximately 3:30 AM.

- 9) Both Jonathan and Britany's call detail records indicated that their cellular devices appeared to be moving in tandem on Saturday, September 19, 2020, from approximately 11:40 PM until 1:53 AM on Sunday, September 20, 2020, when Jonathan's device stopped communicating with the cell tower. Britany's call detail records indicated that her device remained connected to the Jaffrey area cell towers until approximately 3:30 AM on Sunday, September 20, 2020, when the phone began to move north. Britany's device then began to use towers in the Errol area at approximately 7:30 AM on Sunday, September 20, 2020, and did not communicate with another tower. The phone does make another communication with an Errol area cell tower at approximately 9:17 PM. The call detail records revealed that on Monday, September 21, 2020, Britany's cellular device appeared at approximately 10:35 AM and then used cellular towers in the Dixville Notch and Colebrook areas. Britany's cellular device then returned to the Errol area at approximately 12:05 PM. Britany's cellular device then remained in the Errol area until 5:55 PM, when the device stopped communicating with the cell towers.
- 10) On September 22, 2020, New Hampshire Fish & Game Officers found a campsite off of Abbot Brook Road in Atkinson and Gilmanton Academy Grant tucked back into the woods. The campsite was located approximately ¼ of a mile hike south of the following GPS coordinates: 44.98303, - 71.07228.
- 11) As the two conservation officers approached the campsite, a dog began barking. A female, later identified as Britany Barron, began trying to quiet the dog. The two conservation officers approached the campsite and Britany emerged from a beaten-down path to the right of the tent. They immediately observed that she had a pistol in a pouch on her midsection. To the left of the tent, the officers observed something covered by a large brown tarp. The tarp had sticks and branches on it, in what appeared to be an effort to camouflage the object under the tarp.
- 12) The conservation officers informed Britany that she needed to pack up, as she was trespassing and it was not lawful to camp there. While she packed her belongings and cleared from the campsite towards a conservation officer's vehicle, Britany said, "I'm in big trouble," as they were walking. Later on, officers returned to the campsite at the request of Britany to get the pet carrier for her dog when officers observed drag marks in the mud. Shortly thereafter, one of the officers looked up and saw a bound object wrapped in a second tarp that was in a small brook. The object appeared to be in the shape of a body. Eventually, officers detained Britany, placed her into handcuffs, and troopers later transported her to the Berlin Police Department.
- 13) Officers lifted part of the first brown tarp so that they could see a license plate on a vehicle under the brown tarp to check the vehicle's registration information. Upon doing so, they confirmed that the vehicle was Jonathan's Gray Subaru Impreza. Later, a New Hampshire State trooper arrived to determine the condition of the object believed to be a body wrapped in the tarp in the brook. At one point during this examination, the trooper saw blood pour out of the tarp into the water.
- 14) New Hampshire State Police Detective Jay O'Leary arrived to secure the campsite and assist with documenting the scene while the assistant deputy medical examiner (ADME) examined the body before it was removed from the scene. When the ADME was evaluating the tarped body, he was

able to remove the top portion of the tarp. The trooper saw that it was obvious the head had been removed from the body. Based upon the injury, it appeared to the ADME that the head may have been cut off with a saw-like blade, rather than removed with a chopping weapon such as a hatchet. At least one hatchet was seen at the campsite. The ADME noted that the hands were not tied and the top of the torso was wrapped in a packing blanket under the tarp. The ADME also identified a puncture wound in the victim's left wrist and a wound to the victim's hand. The ADME could not determine whether the injury to the defendant's wrist was pre or post-mortem. The ADME could not be certain what the injury on the victim's hand was from, but said that it could have been consistent with a defensive wound or from a fall

15) While on scene, Detective O'Leary looked under the tarp through a window into the car. He noticed the car was mostly empty, but there was a camping chair in the back area that had red brown staining that appeared to be blood. He also observed a notable amount of blood on the tailgate area of the car. It appeared as though a bloody object had been pulled out of the back of the vehicle.

16) On September 22, 2020, Britany was interviewed by New Hampshire State Major Crime Unit investigators at the Berlin Police Department after she was informed and made a knowing waiver of her rights pursuant to Miranda warnings. She provided the following recounting of Jonathan's death:

- a) On Saturday, September 19, 2020, Armando Barron went through her cell phone and discovered that she was having an extramarital affair with Jonathan.
- b) After making this discovery, he confronted Britany and assaulted her inside their 63 Main Street residence. The majority of this assault occurred in the bathroom. He repeatedly struck her in the face and head. She suffered multiple injuries to her eyes, and her nose was bleeding from the assault. He then brought her to the bed and continued to punch her in the face. He pulled out a gun and placed it into her mouth. He strangled her neck with his hands. He applied enough force to cause her to have difficulty breathing, and she eventually passed out due to the strangulation. Sometime during this incident, Britany's lower front tooth was chipped.
- c) Britany saw that her 9-year-old daughter recognized that Britany had been assaulted. Britany attempted to communicate to her nonverbally that she was injured and in danger. Britany believes her daughter recognized this.
- d) In the overnight/early morning hours of September 19th – 20th, Armando Barron used Britany's phone, pretending to be Britany, to message Jonathan in order to lure him to meet at Annette Wayside Park in the area of Jaffrey and Rindge, New Hampshire. While driving to the park Saturday evening, Armando Barron repeatedly struck Britany in the area of her nose, causing her to bleed on the car's seatbelt.
- e) In the overnight hours into September 19, 2020, they met Jonathan at the park, where Armando Barron violently assaulted Jonathan. Armando Barron then took a handgun, placed part of the grip of the gun into her hand, covered his hand over hers around the gun, and ordered her to shoot Jonathan. Britany Barron would not place her finger on the trigger. When she did not shoot him, Armando removed the gun from her hand. Armando then directed Britany to place her foot on Jonathan's throat to kill him. Britany placed her foot against Jonathan's throat, but she did not push down with such force. When she did not

apply additional force, Armando ordered Jonathan at gunpoint to get into the rear of his car through the back hatch. When Jonathan was in his car, Armando Barron ordered Britany to slice Jonathan's wrists with a small blade he detached from his machete. Britany complied and made a cut to Jonathan's wrists. Britany noted that Armando was wearing his pair of blue shoes throughout this event.

- f) After Britany injured Jonathan's wrists, the two got into Jonathan's car; Britany in the driver's seat and Armando Barron in the passenger seat. Once in the car, Britany heard Armando Barron turn around and heard him fire a gun three times. Armando Barron then told her that he shot Jonathan 3 times: striking Jonathan twice in the chest and once in the head. Armando told her the first two rounds were 9mm and the third round was a ".45 cal." Armando Barron told her the third round caught him by surprise, as he did not know there was a .45 caliber round in the weapon. Britany called the weapon a Judge gun, capable of firing multiple sizes of ammunition.
- g) Armando Barron then ordered Britany to go back to their house to pack for camping. After Britany packed, Armando ordered Britany to drive Jonathan's Subaru with Jonathan's body, towards Errol, to an area near where they had camped numerous time, while he followed behind in his Jeep. He communicated to her that once the sun came up the next morning he would forgive her.
- h) Once in Errol, Armando Barron stopped at what Britany believed to be a general store in Errol, where he purchased two tarps, lighter fluid, a container of scrubbing bubbles cleaner, and a shovel. They then went into the woods to make a campsite. At one point, Armando Barron drove the Subaru into the woods and across a stream. Armando Barron was carrying Britany's debit card and cash. Armando Barron did not have his own debit card.
- i) Armando Barron ordered Britany to cut off Jonathan's head so that he could not be identified through dental records while he dug a grave for the head. Fearing Armando Barron, Britany removed Jonathan's head using a saw left at the campsite and a smaller blade to finish the cut. The head was wrapped and put into the grave. The grave was then covered with dirt.
- j) Armando Barron ordered Britany to wrap Jonathan's body in a tarp and Britany was told to dig a grave for it. Britany Barron wrapped Jonathan's body in one of the tarps and dragged it away from the Subaru. At one point, Armando Barron went and bought a different shovel. Armando also purchased groceries from an IGA in Colebrook. On Monday, Armando Barron told Britany that he intended to drive to Keene to send text messages from Keene on Jonathan's phone to say everything was okay. He returned shortly thereafter and told Britany that he received word from his mother that the police were looking for Britany. Armando Barron ordered Britany to come with him to an area where there was cellphone service. Shortly thereafter, Armando stopped the car and smashed Jonathan's phone on a rock. Armando gave part of the smashed phone to Britany. A short while later while driving southbound, Britany was ordered to throw the part of the smashed phone out the passenger side window when they drove near water, while Armando threw another part out of the driver's side window. She estimated that this destruction and discarding of the phone happened somewhere north of Errol between Errol and the campsite. Jonathan instructed her to send text messages from her phone: to tell people she was ok and to tell then she was leaving for a while to clear her head.

- k) Armando Barron drove Britany back to their campsite. Armando Barron told Britany he had to go back to the house and told her that she better have the disposal of Jonathan's body completed when he got back on Friday.
 - l) Armando Barron then left the campsite in his 2008 Jeep Patriot, bearing New Hampshire registration 3682420. Britany told investigators that Armando told her he had left the Judge handgun he used to shoot Jonathan in a grey/maroon backpack at the campsite. Armando told Britany to use the Judge handgun for protection from wildlife, and then told her to hide it afterwards. He also gave her a small 9mm Walther pistol. Britany was familiar with Armando having purchased both weapons within the past few years.
- 17) The grey/maroon backpack was later seen by investigators at the campsite. Other items seen by investigators at the camp included a white trash bag, which Britany stated she placed the bloody clothing worn by both Britany and Armando Barron during the commission of the crimes. Finally, investigators saw a red tarp-like covering, which Britany stated covered the saw she used to decapitate Jonathan Amerault.
- 18) Inside the grey/maroon backpack, investigators discovered a Taurus Judge handgun. The handgun was a 5-round revolver. Inside the revolver, investigators discovered three empty bullet casings and two live rounds of ammunition. The three empty bullet casings consistent of 2 .45 caliber casings and a single 9mm casing. Inside the white trash bag, investigators discovered bloody clothing, including a sweatshirt and pants with blood on them. Investigators discovered that the red covering was a poncho. Under it, investigators recovered a saw, machete, hacksaw, and a small knife. On several of these items, investigators saw what appeared to be visible bloodstains.
- 19) Britany Barron led investigators back to the area where Armando ordered her to throw part of Jonathan's broken cellphone out the window. Investigators looked and were able to quickly find a broken portion of a cellphone missing its screen consistent with the portion of cellphone Britany had described. Investigators described this location as very rural, and saw no other litter or debris in the area.
- 20) Investigators interviewing Britany could see she had obvious injuries to her eyes. This included bruising around both of her eyes, burst blood vessels or petechia in the whites of her eyes, marks on her neck consistent with the strangulation attack she described, a bruised nose, and a chipped tooth. Later, investigators helped transport Britany to a nearby hospital for treatment.
- 21) At 7:25 PM on September 22, 2020, while Britany Barron was in Coos County, I had a phone conversation with Armando Barron. Initially, I called what I thought was Armando Barron's phone number, but learned that it belonged to Armando's stepfather, Scott Rekas. I sent a text message, identifying myself and asked Armando Barron to return my call. At some point, Armando Barron returned my call from a different number. I explained that I was helping the Jaffrey Police Department with the investigation into his wife's disappearance. When I asked Armando Barron if he would come into the police station to speak with me, Armando Barron became defensive and said he did not want to. Armando Barron also said that he had been fired from many jobs before because he just didn't show up and no one came looking for him like they were looking for Britany. I explained that we, the investigators, needed to physically see her to ensure she was ok. Armando Barron said that the last he had talked to her was on Monday night, at 5:00 PM. He said he could not come in to the station to speak because he was going camping in Errol. He explained that he was

going to a campsite where they had been going for years. He said he was bringing their 9-year-old daughter to explain, what I interpreted as, that he and Britany may be getting a divorce.

- 22) I offered to meet Armando Barron halfway, possibly in Bristol. Armando Barron said no, because he didn't want his daughter to see him talking to police. Armando Barron then agreed to drive to Jaffrey, but informed me that it would take him two hours to get to the Jaffrey Police Department.
- 23) Armando Barron never went to the police station. Investigators learned that instead of coming to Jaffrey as he said he was, the phone was actively driving through Franconia, New Hampshire, headed North. Accordingly, it was apparent Armando Barron had no intention of meeting with investigators in Jaffrey.
- 24) After being informed of the substance of Britany Barron's statement to investigators, it was determined that probable cause existed to believe that Armando Barron had committed the Class B Felony of Second Degree Assault for the purposefully or knowingly engaging in the strangulation of Britany Barron. Also based upon her statement, investigators became concerned for the well-being of the 9-year-old daughter as a witness to this assault. Investigators put out a law enforcement bulletin, or BOLO (be on the lookout). After continuing to ping his phone and comb the identified locations, investigators suspected that Armando Barron may have switched vehicles from the Jeep and was headed north from the Woodstock area, to Gorham, to Berlin, to Dummer, and then to the Errol area.
- 25) The Jeep Patriot with registration 3682420 was located by officers by the Jaffrey Police Department at approximately 10:50 PM on September 22, 2020, at the Millipore Sigma Employee Parking lot in Jaffrey, New Hampshire. New Hampshire State Police investigators, and found the vehicle unlocked. The vehicle had a mud coating throughout the wheel wells, tires and the driver's side rear quarter panel near the bumper. In the mud appeared to be a fingerprint on the vehicle. From the outside of the vehicle, investigators could also see a dark red brown stain consistent with the appearance of blood on the interior of the driver's door, as well as in the rear passenger seat in approximately the middle of the bench. Upon noticing this evidence from the outside of the vehicle, the Jeep was taken in, secured by the New Hampshire State Police, and brought to the Jaffrey Police Department to seek judicial approval to conduct a search of the vehicle.
- 26) Investigators traveled to 63 Main Street, Jaffrey at approximately 4:00 AM of September 23, 2020, in order to identify the occupants and secure the building to obtain a search warrant. 63 and 65 Main Street are two addresses at a single-family residence on the southern side of Main Street. The entrance marked 63 Main Street is on the easternmost side of the building, whereas 65 Main Street on the westernmost side of the building. The building is a light colored building with a driveway in front of the entrance to the 63 Main Street entrance. Outside the rear of the 63 Main Street entrance is a small porch leading up to the entrance door. Behind the driveway on the side of 63 Main Street is a small detached garage.
- 27) As the investigators arrived, they approached both entrances as they were unsure whether the units were connected internally or wholly separate. Upon knocking, Marialena Robliedo answered the door to 63 Main Street. In speaking with her, investigators were able to confirm that the two addresses share a kitchen and are connected internally. She indicated she lived at 65 Main Street while Britany and Armando Barron lived at 63 Main Street. The internal door is located on the first

floor, allowing both units to access the single kitchen inside the 63 Main Street side of the residence. In addition, both units have separate entrances to a shared basement and a shared attic space.

- 28) When investigators approached the door to 63 Main Street, they noticed a blue pair of shoes sitting outside the entry on the back porch. Investigators noted that these shoes appeared consistent with the shoes Britany said Armando Barron was wearing at the time of the attack on Jonathan. A search warrant was obtained for the shoes and the residence.
- 29) Investigators soon realized that Scott Rekas's other registered vehicle, a gold 2008 Toyota Tundra, bearing NH registration 4369195, was missing from the 63/65 Main Street residence in Jaffrey. I, Sergeant Sloper, called Troop F Sergeant Michael Cote with the vehicle description of the gold Toyota Tundra given the path of travel of Armando Barron's phone in and through the area of Troop F's coverage. While on the phone, Sgt. Cote told me that he just saw a gold Toyota matching that description drive by his location. He pursued, confirmed the registration and stopped the vehicle. Upon approaching the vehicle, Sgt. Cote discovered Armando Barron operating the vehicle, with his 9-year old daughter as a passenger. At that time, Armando Barron was placed under arrest for the September 19-20, 2020, assault on Britany Barron.
- 30) Armando Barron was transported to Troop F barracks in Twin Mountain, New Hampshire. Upon arrival, he was seen to have scratches on his right wrist, but no other visible injuries. Armando asked officers whether they had spoken to Britany. He was read Miranda warnings, and chose to invoke his right to counsel.
- 31) A body warrant was executed on Armando Barron while in custody. The results of that warrant showed that Armando Barron had scratches and dried blood on Armando's right forearm. Dried blood was also located on the back of Armando's left leg. There was no visible blood on the clothes that Armando was wearing at that time: a pair of jeans, socks, boxer briefs, a shirt, long sleeve hoodie, and black shoes.
- 32) Based on the foregoing, I am aware that Armando Barron was not arrested wearing the same clothing or shoes that he was reportedly wearing at the time of his assaults.
- 33) On the morning of September 23, 2020, Armando Barron's mother, Marialena Robliedo, told investigators that she had discussed with Armando that they should stockpile food due to COVID-19. They supposedly discussed burying food in Errol in a manner that animals would not get to it. She said that around 10:00 AM, Armando and his 9-year-old daughter, went grocery shopping at several stores. She said that later in the afternoon, they went back out to Home Depot, where Armando purchased several bags of soil, Home Depot buckets, and bags of cement. Marialena said that those items were to supposedly bury the food he had purchased at their campsite in Errol.
- 34) In looking at the Toyota Tundra, New Hampshire State Police investigators were able to view the following among other items: loose/sandy soil, 3 bags of quick drying concrete, 2 40-pound bags of top soil, a shovel, a large 5 foot metal frame, and a blue tarp with what appeared to be more bags of either concrete or top soil under it. Investigators could see no groceries or food. Investigators later confirmed through business records that Armando Barron purchased topsoil, buckets, and quick drying concrete at approximately 5:11 PM on September 22, 2020, at the Home Depot in Keene, New Hampshire.

- 35) On September 23, 2020, Armando and Britany's 9-year-old-daughter, JB, was interviewed by a forensic interviewer at the Nashua Child Advocacy Center. During the interview, JB was asked what, if anything, she observed occur between her parents on Saturday, September 19, 2020. JB indicated that at one point, the two began arguing in the bathroom of the apartment. However, JB said that she did not witness anything, as her grandmother, Marialena Robliedo, moved her to the other side of the apartment.
- 36) In the course of the investigation, detectives learned that on Sunday, September 20, 2020, a group of three hunters were in the woods off of Abbott Brook Road in Atkinson and Gilmanton Grant near Errol. Detectives were able to identify and speak with them.
- 37) One of the hunters noted that as he was walking up what could be classified as a logging road, he came across a Subaru and a Jeep driving up the road. He told the male driver of the Jeep that he had a bear hunting bait site in the area. The male driver merely nodded his head and mumbled.
- 38) At approximately 7:30 AM on Monday, September 21, 2020, the group of hunters went back to the area of the hunting spot to see if the Jeep and Subaru were still there. When they arrived, they saw that the Jeep was facing out from a camping area, but could not see the Subaru. Later that day, at approximately 10:00 PM, two of the hunters drove back to the site to see if the Jeep was still there and to get its license plate number. The hunters reported that the Jeep was gone, but there was a tent, camp chairs, and a small shovel outside of the tent. It did not appear to the hunters at that time that anyone was there.
- 39) On Tuesday, September 22, 2020, at approximately 8:00 AM, two of the hunters drove a truck to the campsite to see if anyone was there. When they arrived, they blew the horn and a woman came out of the tent with a small dog. They saw that she was wearing sunglasses to cover her eyes. They told her they had a bait site 100 yards away, that there was no overnight camping on that property, and she needed to pack up and leave. The woman responded that she did not know about the hunting spot or the overnight camping restriction. After they got out of the woods, the hunters called New Hampshire Fish & Game to report the camping violation.
- 40) While waiting for medical treatment at Androscoggin Valley Hospital for her injuries stemming from Armando Barron's reported assault, investigators asked Britany Barron whether there were any other locations that needed to be searched. At first Britany said no, but when they discussed that Jonathan's wallet was missing, she explained what happened when they first arrived in the area where the camp was set up and where Jonathan's Subaru was recovered:
- a) Before they went deeper into the woods to stay concealed, Armando had the cars pull into a logging or skidder yard off of Abbot Brook Road in Atkinson and Gilmanton Academy Grant. Armando had the two of them fill a washout with stones so they could drive Jonathan's car up a logging road and deeper into the woods to remain concealed. While driving over those stones, they damaged Jonathan's car. Investigators had previously noted that when they observed Jonathan's car at the campsite, there was visible damage to his car and broken plastic pieces on the stones that filled the washout.
 - b) Once Subaru was partially hidden, then Armando began to take Jonathan's property out of the Subaru to burn it. Armando Barron ordered Britany to wipe the front of the car clean

while he retrieved items to burn. Britany began to wipe the steering wheel and clean the front interior of the Subaru.

c) Britany saw Armando Barron burn several items from Jonathan's vehicle, including: the car's manual; Jonathan's credit cards; a garage door opener, and Jonathan's identification.

d) Armando Barron later told Britany to re-burn the pile of Jonathan's property.

41) Investigators discovered and examined this burn site. In it, they discovered several items identified as Jonathan Amerault's, including Jonathan's identification.

42) Investigators located and recovered Jonathan Amerault's head buried near the campsite.

43) On September 23, 2020, Britany Barron showed investigators where Armando Barron assaulted Jonathan Amerault and shot him. The area was identified as a path inside Annette Wayside Park that lies within the town of Rindge, New Hampshire. Investigators discovered an area of disturbed ground and indentations consistent with a physical struggle. Investigators also discovered spots of what appeared to be blood. These spots/stains were collected and/or sampled. A presumptive chemical test was applied to one such area, and it tested positive for the presumptive presence of blood.

44) On September 24, 2020, an autopsy was conducted by Chief Medical Examiner for the State of New Hampshire, Dr. Jennie V. Duval. Dr. Duval noted several injuries, including bruises to the inside of Jonathan's mouth and face, and what appeared to be a shoe impression on the right side of his face. Dr. Duval has concluded that the cause of Jonathan's death was gunshot wound to the head, and the manner of his death was homicide.

45) Based upon the foregoing and my training and experience, there is probable cause to believe that Armando Barron (DOB 11/15/1989) committed the crime of Capital Murder, pursuant to RSA 630:1, I(b), in that Armando Barron knowingly caused the death of Jonathan Amerault by shooting him, before, after, or while engaged in the commission of, or while attempting to commit the offense of kidnapping, to wit, Armando Barron knowingly confined Jonathan Amerault under his control with a purpose to terrorize him and/or to commit a crime against him.

46) Based upon this information, I ask this Court to issue an arrest warrant for Armando Barron for the crime of Capital Murder, pursuant to RSA 630:1, I(b), for knowingly causing the death of Jonathan Amerault (DOB: 1/27/1995) by shooting him, before, after, or while engaged in the commission of, or while attempting to commit the offense of kidnapping, to wit, Armando Barron knowingly confined Jonathan Amerault under his control with a purpose to terrorize him and/or to commit a crime against him.

47) Based upon the foregoing and my training and experience, there is probable cause to believe that Britany Barron (DOB: 4/23/1989) committed the crime of Falsifying Physical Evidence, pursuant to RSA 641:6, I, three times. There is probable cause to believe that Britany Barron, believing an official proceeding, as defined in RSA 641:1, II, or investigation was pending or about to be instituted, altered, destroyed, concealed, or removed any thing with a purpose to impair its verity or availability in such proceeding or investigation, to wit, after Jonathan Amerault (DOB 1/27/1995) was killed, Britany Barron:

- a) Altered and concealed Jonathan Amerault's body by wrapping it in a tarp and dragging it to another location;
- b) Altered the condition of Jonathan Amerault's Subaru Impeza, New Hampshire bearing NH registration 3449369, by cleaning or attempting to clean the interior of the car following the homicide; and
- c) Removed Jonathan Amerault's head from his body, and burying his head in a location separate from his body,

All of these actions were done with a purpose to impair the verity or availability of these things in the proceeding or investigation.

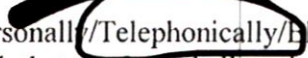
48) Based upon this information, I ask this Court to issue an arrest warrant for Brittany Barron for the crime of Falsifying Physical Evidence for altering, destroying, concealing, or removing any thing with a purpose to impair its verity or availability in such proceeding or investigation, to wit, after Jonathan Amerault (DOB: 01/27/1995) was killed, Brittany Barron (DOB: 4/23/1989) removed Jonathan's head from his body and buried his head in a location separate from his body while she believed an official proceeding, as defined in RSA 641:1, II, or investigation was pending or about to be instituted.

49) Based upon this information, I ask this Court to issue an arrest warrant for Brittany Barron for the crime of Falsifying Physical Evidence for altering, destroying, concealing, or removing any thing with a purpose to impair its verity or availability in such proceeding or investigation, to wit, after Jonathan Amerault (DOB: 01/27/1995) was killed, Brittany Barron (DOB: 4/23/1989) altered the condition of Jonathan Amerault's Subaru Impeza with New Hampshire bearing NH registration 3449369, by cleaning or attempting to clean the interior of the car while she believed an official proceeding, as defined in RSA 641:1, II, or investigation was pending or about to be instituted.

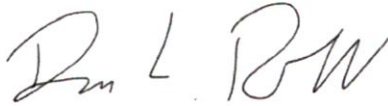
50) Based upon this information, I ask this Court to issue an arrest warrant for Britany Barron for the crime of Falsifying Physical Evidence for altering, destroying, concealing, or removing any thing with a purpose to impair its verity or availability in such proceeding or investigation, to wit, after Jonathan Amerault (DOB: 01/27/1995) was killed, Britany Barron (DOB: 4/23/1989) altered or concealed Jonathan Amerault's body by wrapping it in a tarp and dragging it to another location while she believed an official proceeding, as defined in RSA 641:1, II, or investigation was pending or about to be instituted.


Sergeant Stephen Sloper
New Hampshire State Police – Major Crime Unit

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
CHESHIRE, SS

 Personally/Telephonically/Electronically appeared the above-named, Sgt Sloper, and took oath that the factual allegations contained in the above affidavit are true to the best of his knowledge and beliefs.

Before me,


Justice/ ~~Justice of the Peace~~

Date: 9-24-20

JUDICIAL BRANCH

Cheshire County Superior COURT

TO THE SHERIFF OF ANY COUNTY IN THIS STATE OR DEPUTY, OR ANY POLICE OFFICER
WITHIN THE STATE:

Justice/~~Justice of the Peace~~

AOC-117-045 (5/01)

The State of New Hampshire
SUPERIOR COURT COMPLAINT

Case Number:

Charge ID:

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	FELONY	<input type="checkbox"/> CLASS A	<input type="checkbox"/> CLASS B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL <input type="checkbox"/> UNCLASSIFIED (non-person)

You are to appear at the: **Cheshire Superior Court**
address: **33 Winter Street Keene NH 03431**
in: **Cheshire County**
at:
on:

Under penalty of law to answer to a complaint charging you with the following offense:

THE UNDERSIGNED COMPLAINS THAT:

<u>Barron</u> Last Name	<u>Armando</u> First Name	<u>R</u> Middle
<u>63 Main Street</u> Address	<u>Jaffrey</u> City	<u>NH</u> State
		<u>03452</u> Zip
<u>Male</u> Sex	<u>White</u> Race	<u>509</u> Height
		<u>240</u> Weight
		<u>Brown</u> Eye Color
		<u>Black</u> Hair Color

<u>11/15/1989</u> DOB	License #:	OP License State
<input type="checkbox"/> COMM. VEH.	<input type="checkbox"/> COMM. DR. LIC.	<input type="checkbox"/> HAZ. MAT. <input type="checkbox"/> 16+ PASSENGER

AT: **Annette Wayside Park in Rindge, New Hampshire**

☐ On or about ☒ Between **09/19/2020 - 09/20/2020** in the above county and state, did
commit the offense of:

RSA Name: **Capital Murder**

Contrary to RSA: **630:1, I(b)**

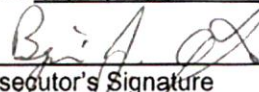
Inchoate:

And the laws of New Hampshire for which the defendant should be held to answer, in that the defendant did:

Knowingly cause the death of Jonathan Amerault (DOB: 1/27/1995) by shooting him, before, after, or while engaged in the commission of, or while attempting to commit the offense of kidnapping, to wit, Armando Barron knowingly confined Jonathan Amerault under his control with a purpose to terrorize him and/or to commit a crime against him.

☐ Additional allegations are attached.
against the peace and dignity of the State.

Date: **09/24/2020**


Prosecutor's Signature
Assistant Attorney General

16161 Benjamin J. Agati
NH Bar ID # Printed Name

NH Attorney General
Prosecuting Attorney's Office