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PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

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3. Request for Warrant  
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Charge Description <b>817.034(4A1) ORGANIZED FRAUD - OVER 50K</b>	Charge Description <b>812.0145(2A) 50K DOLS MORE FROM 65 YOA OLDER</b>
Charge Description <b>817.568(2C) USE ID OF ANOTHER WO CONSENT 50K DOLS</b>	Charge Description <b>825.103(1) EXPLOITATION OF ELDERELY PERSON OR DISA</b>

Victim's Name (Last, First, Middle) <b>ABADY, BARBARA G</b>	Race <b>W</b>	Sex <b>F</b>	Date of Birth <b>03/31/1934</b>
Local Address (Street, Apt. Number) <b>2485 NW 53RD ST, BOCA RATON, FL 33496</b>	Phone <b>(561) 998-5894</b>	Address Source	
Business Address (Name, Street) <b>RETIRED</b>	Phone <b>(561) 699-2544</b>	Occupation	

The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and resonable grounds to believe, and does believe that the above named Defendant committed the following violation of law.

The Person taken into custody ...

committed the below acts in my presence.  was observed by \_\_\_\_\_ who told \_\_\_\_\_ that he/she saw the arrested person committ the below acts.

confessed to \_\_\_\_\_ admitting to the below facts.  was found to have committed the below acts, resulting from my (described) investigation.

On the 23 day of August, 2018 at 10:09 (Specifically include facts constituting cause for arrest.)

On 03/06/17, I was assigned a fraud case for follow-up investigation. The initial report was taken by Officer Alvino on 03/03/17. I reviewed Officer Alvino's incident report and learned that Lysa Rothenberg called for police assistance after noticing several large suspicious transactions on her mother, Barbara Abady's Citibank checking account. The transactions span from 02/07/16 until the most recent bank statement on 01/26/17. The fraudulent activity includes 22 personal checks made out to cash for a total of \$36,065.50. Additionally, there were numerous debits made to various credit card and utility accounts not belonging to Abady. The total for these transactions were approximately \$44,013.84. Abady advised that she lost her debit card several months ago, but never notified her bank. Abady's Citibank account number for the fraudulent activity was [REDACTED]

Abady and Rothenberg met with Citibank Citigold Relationship Manager Ryan Reynolds about this matter. Abady's account has since been closed and Reynolds was able to assist Abady in the process to help recoup lost funds. Abady provided Citibank with a taped sworn affidavit stating that the transactions in question were not authorized by her. Citibank generated several case numbers for this incident (R145606170303, R146474170303, R145990170303, R146825170303, R146119170303, R145604170303). Abady's account had a total of \$108,564.61 on 01/29/16. As of 01/30/17, her account balance was \$27,936.71. The total loss due to fraudulent activity is approximately \$80,079.34.

During Reynolds investigation, he was able to determine that the checks that were made out to cash were deposited into an account belonging to Ayesha Abbasi. Most of the debits made to Abady's accounts were also linked to accounts in the name of Ayesha Abbasi. Several other transactions were also linked to accounts in the names of Samiya Abbasi and Nauman Abbasi. It should be noted that Abbasi worked as a nurse's aide to Abady in mid 2016. She was employed by Premier Care Nurses of America, based out of Boca Raton (2799 NW 2nd Avenue). As an aide, Abbasi had complete access to Abady's

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residence. Also of note is that Abady is suffering from early onset of dementia, which requires her to receive assistance from nurses. Subsequent to a records check through NCIC, Officer Alvino learned that the suspect, Ayesha Abbasi, has a criminal history to include fraud and has an active arrest warrant for Fraud out of Farmington Hills Police Department in Michigan.

On 03/07/17, I spoke with Lysa Rothenberg and Barbara Abady and they confirmed the above information.

On 03/16/17, I sent a subpoena to Citibank requesting the location where the checks were cashed.

On 03/27/17, I sent a subpoena to BB&T for video of the cashed checks.

On 03/27/17, I also sent subpoenas to Capital One Auto, Progressive Leasing, Citibank, Comcast, Dish Network and Sprint.

On 03/30/17, I received a response from Citibank stating that the account could not be located.



On 04/03/17, I received a response from Comcast. The documents show that the account belongs to Ayesha Abbasi at 7827 NW 121st Way, Parkland, FL. On 04/05/16 a payment was made from Abady`s account for \$393.75. The documents were submitted into evidence at Boca Raton Police Department (BRPD).

On 04/03/17, I spoke with a representative from BB&T who stated that they only retain video for 120 days.

On 04/04/17, I received a subpoena response from Sprint. The documents show that the account belongs to Samiya Abbasi with an address of 7827 NW 121st Way, Parkland. This is the same address as Ayesha Abbasi`s. It appears Samiya Abbasi is Ayesha Abbasi`s daughter. There were two payments made from Abady`s account; one for \$94.52 on 05/04/16 and on for \$196.04 on 04/05/16. The documents were submitted into evidence at BRPD.

On 04/10/17, I served a subpoena to Volkswagen, Santander and First Premier Bank. I received a response from First Premier Bank stating that they are in South Dakota and would only respond to a subpoena issued by their jurisdiction.

On 04/13/17, I received documents from Progressive Leasing. The documents show that the account belongs to Ayesha Abbasi and list her employer at Premier Care Nurses. Progressive Leasing also provided the audio recording of a call made by Ayesha Abbasi to get a settlement for her bill which she states she cannot pay. Progressive agreed to allow her to pay \$1,900 instead of \$2900. Abbasi agreed to lock in the rate with a \$75

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payment that she put on her Capital One MasterCard [REDACTED] She then agreed to pay the balance in two payments of \$912.50 and provided Abady`s Bank account [REDACTED] One transaction posted on 05/20/16 and the other on 06/3/16. The documents were submitted into evidence at BRPD.

On 04/25/17, I received subpoena documents from Santander. The documents show that the account belongs to Nauman Abbasi located at 7827 NW 121st Way, Parkland, FL. The loan was for a 2008 Infiniti FX35. The insurance documentation list Ayesha and Nauman Abbasi as the insured. Five payments were made from Abady`s account. On 03/03/16 a payment was made for \$900.70, on 04/11/16 for \$1278.72, on 09/21/16 for \$1736.23, on 11/18/16 for \$1149.32 and on 05/18/16 for \$567.61. The documents were submitted into evidence at BRPD.

On 04/25/17, I received subpoena documents from Capital One Auto. The documents show that the account belongs to Ayesha Abbasi. On 04/04/16 a payment was made from Abady`s account for \$750, on 04/21/16 for \$406, on 10/21/16 for \$1371.88 and on 02/26/16 for \$709.46. The documents were submitted into evidence at BRPD.

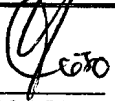
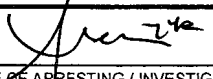
On 05/04/17, I received the subpoena documents from Citibank account [REDACTED] The bank statement show that numerous payments were made to Volkswagen, Dish Network, Progressive Leasing, Sprint, Comcast Cable, Santander Consumer, Capital One Auto Finance and Capital One. These transactions match the payments made to Abbasi`s account. There were also 15 checks made out to cash with Ayesha Abbasi`s signature in the endorsement portion. The documents were submitted into evidence at BRPD.

On 05/11/17, I received the subpoena documents from Dish Network. The documents show that this account is in the name Nauman Abbasi at the same address as Ayesha Abbasi, 7827 NW 121st Way, Parkland, FL. Nauman is believed to be Abbasi`s son. On 05/04/16 a payment was made from Abady`s account for \$94.52 and on 04/05/16 for \$196.04. The documents were submitted into evidence at BRPD.

On 05/12/17, I received subpoena documents from Volkswagen. The documents show that the account belongs to Samiya Abbasi. Payments to the account were made from Abady`s Citibank account on 09/16/16 for \$975, 10/16/16 for \$487.00, 11/22/16 for \$998.760, 01/07/17 for \$998.92, 04/18/16 for \$1215.87 and 05/05/16 for \$487.28. The documents were submitted into evidence at BRPD.

On 05/12/17, I spoke with Lysa Rothenberg who stated that there was additional fraud. According to Rothenberg, Abady`s Citibank account also paid Abbasi`s Capital One account. Rothenberg will provide further information.

On 06/08/18, I sent a subpoena to Capital One.

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On 07/16/18, I received subpoena documents from Capital One. The documents show that one credit card belongs to Samiya Abbasi [REDACTED] and is used by the entire family (additional cardholders) and another credit card belongs to Ayesha Abbasi [REDACTED]. There were 16 online payments made to MC [REDACTED] from Abady's account and one to [REDACTED]. The total amount of payments made to Capital One from Abady's account is \$31,940.16.

On 08/16/18, Detective Alsup and I went to Abbasi's residence. No one was home so a card was left at her door.

On 08/17/18, I went to Premier Care Nurses located at 2799 NW 2nd Avenue, Boca Raton, FL. Michelle Carrejo stated she would provide me with a list of the caregivers that were assigned to Abady.

On 08/17/18, I received an email from Abbasi's criminal defense attorney, Khurruum Wahid.

On 08/22/18, I obtained an audio recorded statement from Barbara's Abady daughter, Lysa Rothenberg and her son, Todd Rothenberg. Todd Rothenberg has Power of Attorney over Barbara Abady. Lysa and Todd both stated that they never authorized Abbasi to use Abady's bank account. They also stated that they paid Premier Care Nurses and never paid Abbasi directly. There was no reason for money to be exchanged between Abbasi and Abady. The recordings were submitted into evidence at BRPD.

On 08/22/18, I met with Barbara Abady who was very emotional about the situation. She expressed feeling very vulnerable after what Abbasi did. She stated that she trusted Abbasi and was upset she took her hard earned money. Abady worked as a teacher in New York for 30 years and saved as much as she could for her retirement. Abady confirmed that she never authorized Abbasi to use her account for anything.

On 08/22/18, I met with Michelle Carrejo of Premier Nurse Care. She provided a list of all of the caregivers that were assigned to Barbara Abady. Ayesha Abbasi is on the list. When I asked Carrejo about Abbasi she stated that she was fired from Premier Nurse Care because there was an accusation that she was stealing from a client, other than Abady. Carrejo could not recall the details of the accusation. Carrejo stated that Abbasi worked as Abady's caregiver from December 2015 to May 2016. She stated that all of their employees are paid directly by the company and not by the clients. Their policy does not allow them to accept any gifts from the clients unless they have prior approval from the company.

On 08/22/18, I spoke with Abbasi's attorney, Khurruum Wahid and informed him of the investigation. He stated he would speak with Abbasi and call me back.

Based on the above information and investigation, I requested charges be filed against

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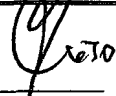
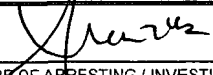
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Ayesha Abbasi (DOB: 05/12/1958) for Organize Scheme to Defraud pursuant to FSS 817.034(4) (a)1, Grand Theft of a person 65 or older pursuant to FSS 812.0145(2C), Fraudulent use of Personal ID information pursuant to FSS 817.568 (2) (C) and Elder Exploitation pursuant to FSS 825.103(1). Abbasi Abady took a total of \$74,249.82 from Abady's bank account from 02/2016 to 01/2017. The funds were used to pay her bills and her children's bills. It should be noted that Abbasi continued to use Abady's account even after she was fired in May 2016.

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