

2015 CRW 491

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
SEARCH WARRANT

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TO: THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT OR ANY DESIGNATED AGENT
(Specific Law Enforcement Officer or Classification of Officer of the Metropolitan Police Department or other Authorized Agency)

Affidavit, herewith attached, having been made before me by Detective Christopher Bastian Of The Metropolitan Police
Department, Criminal Investigations Division, Homicide Branch that he has probable cause to believe
that on the (person) (premises) (vehicle) (object) known as Entire premises known as
Room 400 of The Donovan Hotel, located at 1155 14th Street, Northwest, Washington, District of Columbia, 20005. The
location is described as a multi-level commercial hotel. Room 400 is on the 4th floor. "400" is printed on a grey placard with
black writing to the right of the door. The hotel room has a white front door with a silver electronic door handle.

in the District of Columbia, there is now being concealed certain property,
Any identifying documents, personal papers and writings, banking documents and credit cards, photographs, bedding,
clothing and other personal effects, all electronic devices to include cell phones and computers, and any and all weapons to
include cutting instruments. Additionally, your affiant requests that the search warrant include any physical evidence, to
include photographs, diagrams, clothing, bedding, towels, hairs, fibers, DNA, and other forms of forensic evidence, as well
as any item which may contain these types of forensic evidence, and any other evidence of the homicide.
which is Evidence in a homicide investigation and as I am satisfied

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that there is probable cause to believe that the property so described is being concealed on the above designated (person) (premises)
(vehicle) (object) and that the foregoing grounds for issuance of the warrant exist.

YOU ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED within 10 days of the date of issuance of this warrant to search in the daytime/at any time of the
day or night, the designated (person) (premises) (vehicle) (object) for the property specified and if the property be found there.

YOU ARE COMMANDED TO SEIZE IT, TO WRITE AND SUBSCRIBE an inventory of the property seized, to leave a copy of this
warrant and return to file, a further copy of this warrant and return with the Court on the next Court day after its execution.

Issued this 10 day of February, 20 15
[Signature]
Judge, Superior Court of the District of Columbia

RETURN

I received the above detailed warrant on FEB 10, 20 15 and have executed it as follows:
On FEB 10, 20 15, at 1700 M., I searched the
(person) (premises) (vehicles) (object) described in the warrant and I left a copy of the warrant and return with
PIETRO DURU (HOTEL MANAGER) properly posted.
(Name of person searched or owner, occupant, custodian or person present at place of search)

The following is an inventory of the property taken pursuant to this warrant:
300 SHEET, WALLER WITH CARDS, PILLOW, HP COMPUTER, COMPUTER BAG,
LOBBY AREA AND CORRIDOR, RED SHEET, CLOTHING, CREDIT CARD,
CELL PHONE, PLACARD, SWABS, FINGER PRINTS, ENEMA, REPORT,
WATCH, TOWEL, CURTAIN, KEYS,

This inventory was made in the presence of BASTIANIC / THURIT

I swear that this is a true and detailed account of all property taken by me under this warrant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of FEBRUARY, 20 15
[Signature] Executing Officer
[Signature]
Judge, Superior Court of the District of Columbia

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Metropolitan Police Department
Washington, D.C.
Criminal Investigations Division
Homicide Branch

Affidavit in Support of an Application for
Search Warrant

United States
District Court

 x Superior Court of the District
of Columbia

SUBJECT:

Affidavit in support of a search warrant for Room 400 of The Donovan Hotel, located at 1155 14th Street, Northwest, Washington, District of Columbia, 20005. The location is described as a multi-level commercial hotel. Room 400 is on the 4th floor. "400" is printed on a grey placard with black writing to the right of the door. The hotel room has a white front door with a silver electronic door handle.

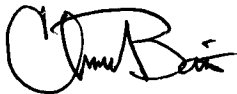
THE AFFIANT:

Your affiant, Detective Christopher Bastian, is assigned to the Metropolitan Police Department Criminal Investigations Division; Homicide Branch.


INVESTIGATION:

On Tuesday, February 10, 2015, Officers with the Metropolitan Police Department's Youth Division, Missing Person's Unit, called The Donovan Hotel located at 1155 14th Street, Northwest to ascertain if a reported missing person was staying at the hotel. Hotel management confirmed that the missing person, hereafter referred to as the decedent, was a guest of the hotel staying in room "400." Hotel management responded to room "400" to check on the welfare of the decedent, and used a master key card to gain access.

Hotel management located the decedent lying face down on the floor, not displaying any signs consistent with life. Emergency services were requested, and District of Columbia Fire Department Units and Officers with the Metropolitan Police Department's Third District responded. The decedent was observed to have apparent stab wounds to the back, and did not display any signs consistent with life. The decedent remained on scene.

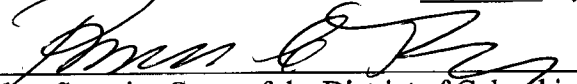


Affiant



Assistant United States Attorney

Subscribed and sworn before me this 10 day of Feb, 2015



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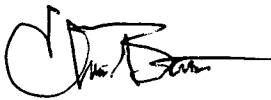
Homicide Detectives, to include your affiant, responded to the scene, and observed that the decedent had apparent stab wounds to the back. Apparent blood was observed on the floor throughout the hotel room, the walls of the hotel room, the door of the hotel room, and on the body of the decedent. A wallet was observed lying next to the decedent's head, with various credit cards strewn about. Additional credit cards and identifying documents were observed throughout the room.

Detectives secured the room pending the issuance of a District of Columbia Superior Court search warrant.

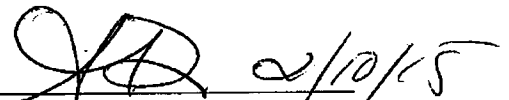
REQUEST:

Based on the aforementioned facts and circumstances, your affiant believes that secreted within Room 400 of The Donovan Hotel, located at 1155 14th Street, Northwest, Washington, District of Columbia, 20005, is evidence pertaining to the death of the decedent. Your affiant respectfully requests that a District of Columbia Superior Court Search Warrant be issued for the entire premises of Room 400 of The Donovan Hotel, located at 1155 14th Street, Northwest, Washington, District of Columbia, 20005. Specifically, your affiant requests that the District of Columbia Superior Court Search Warrant be issued for the seizure of any identifying documents, personal papers and writings, banking documents and credit cards, photographs, bedding, clothing and other personal effects, all electronic devices to include cell phones and computers, and any and all weapons to include cutting instruments. Additionally, your affiant requests that the search warrant include any physical evidence, to include photographs, diagrams, clothing, bedding, towels, hairs, fibers, DNA, and other forms of forensic evidence, as well as any item which may contain these types of forensic evidence, and any other evidence of the homicide.

Your affiant requests that the District of Columbia Superior Court Search Warrant be issued for execution at any point throughout the day and night, as the location has been secured by the Metropolitan Police Department, and is being held unoccupied pending the issuance of the search warrant.




Affiant



Assistant United States Attorney

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