

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR UNION
COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA

-vs-

CASE NO: 63-2020-CF-0018
CLERK NO:

Kendra Lei Russell
Defendant,

AGENCY CASE NO: 19-15282

RACE: W/F

DOB: [REDACTED]

SSN: [REDACTED]

FL DL#: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

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KELLIE H CONNELL
Clerk of Court
Union County FL

AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST

BEFORE ME, MARCH 4 2020, a Judge of the above captioned court, personally appeared before me Senior Inspector Jared Dewey, who*being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about September 3, 2019, your Affiant began a criminal investigation into an Introduction of Contraband and Staff/Offender Relationship.

Correctional Officer Sergeant Shawn Massey (Sergeant Massey) sent your Affiant an email implicating Nurse Kendra Russell (Nurse Russell), a contract employee at Reception & Medical Center (RMC), of possibly having a relationship with Inmate James Sumner DC#J28091 (Inmate Sumner). Sergeant Massey's email contained excerpts of JPay emails between Nurse Russell and Inmate Sumner. JPay is an electronic communication service available to inmates and their family/friends to facilitate communication in the form of written and recorded (video) communication.

A review of Inmate Sumner's JPay account revealed numerous JPay messages from a subject named [REDACTED] F Sumner", which would later be identified as being Nurse Russell. Nurse Russell listed her address in JPay as [REDACTED] her phone number as [REDACTED] and her email address as kendralei2008@gmail.com. Nurse Russell authored numerous letters to Inmate Sumner stating: "I'm still at work but everyone has gone home as far as the bosses go."; "I really want you to try and find someone to let you have a full call tonight so we can talk if at all possible."; "I love you too baby and I did send one from work the other day but I didn't have a computer today so when I went out I sent one then too."; "...literally put my fucking career on the line for you and this is the thanks I get?"; "how am I supposed to explain to [REDACTED] that mr Jamie doesn't want us anymore?"; "i wish so bad that i could have got you to me today but..."; "God knows I can't wait to feel you inside me again..."; "...i know you got transfered if you can try and get a call in tonight after i get off and do i need to mail you the phone bill thing again so that you can resubmit it at century?"; wrote "...made it safe to century. I mean I can see in the computer that you're there..."; "...I wish that I could have seen you one more time before you left and got some lovins before you moved almost 6 hours away from me." [REDACTED] because i didn't see one in the computer [REDACTED]; "...so far today has been a really decent day at work."; "I hate not knowing what's going on and being able to check on you

at least to make sure you aren't in confinement lol [REDACTED] although I did look at your ..."; and "I can't help but wonder if them running your eos address is what got us caught."

Nurse Russell also sent several photographs and video messages showing her face which assisted in identifying her as the owner of the JPay account communicating with Inmate Sumner under the [REDACTED] "F Sumner" name.

The emails were sent numerous times from August 15, 2019, to September 4, 2019.

Inmate Sumner authored numerous messages to Nurse Russell, calling her by the name "Kendra" and "Kendra Lei" as well as stating he saw Nurse Russell in various locations inside the secure perimeter of RMC.

All emails sent and received through JPay provide an Internet Protocol (IP) address that assists in locating and identifying the sender. A search using a public IP address search tool revealed IP address 198.148.241.5 belonged to "ashburn.mhm-services.com", IP address [REDACTED] belonged to "Comcast Cable", and IP address 73.104.47.59 belonged to "Comcast Cable/XFINITY WiFi". MHM-Services.com belongs to Centurion, which is the company contracted with the Florida Department of Corrections (FDC) to provide medical care within FDC and who in turn is the employer of Nurse Russell.

A subpoena was submitted to Comcast Cable requesting subscriber information for IP address [REDACTED]. The subpoena identified the subscriber as "Kendra Russell" with a service address of [REDACTED] the Email User ID was "kendralei2008", and telephone number of [REDACTED].

Between the IP address information from JPay, confirmed through the Comcast subpoena, Nurse Russell sent 36 emails from August 14, 2019, through August 27, 2019, to Inmate Sumner from IP address [REDACTED] while he was housed at RMC.

Nurse Russell sent 5 emails to Inmate Sumner from IP address 198.148.241.5, which belonged to a computer maintained by Centurion, located inside the secure perimeter of RMC. Of those 5 emails, 3 emails were sent to Inmate Sumner while he was housed at RMC in Union County and 2 emails were sent to Inmate Sumner while he was housed at Century CI in Escambia County.

A check of the Corrections Data Center (CDC), a database that tracks inmate housing assignments and contact information, revealed Inmate Sumner was housed at RMC from August 12, 2019, until August 27, 2019.

A search of Facebook, a social media platform, revealed Nurse Russell had a photograph of her and her 2 children (1 boy, 1 girl) in a vehicle with a posted date of June 15. The photograph had a comment Nurse Russell posted identifying the children as [REDACTED].

A search using a "public search tool" revealed Nurse Russell had a previous address of [REDACTED] from approximately October 2013 until September 2014 and had previous phone number [REDACTED].

The Kronos timesheet report, a system that utilizes fingerprint identification for employees to clock in/out of work, of Nurse Russell, indicated she was on duty inside the secure perimeter of RMC

at the time the emails were sent to Inmate Sumner from a Centurion computer using IP address 198.148.241.5.

Health Services Administrator Kristina Minta (HSA Minta) was interviewed and stated: She was familiar with Nurse Russell and recognized her from several photographs pulled from JPay letters; RMC has inpatient services, which is responsible for the Hospital, and outpatient services, which is responsible for sick call and other appointments; Nurse Russell was assigned as Inpatient Nursing Supervisor in the Hospital and never worked in Outpatient; Outpatient records and Inpatient records are kept separate; Nurses working in the Hospital should not have a need to access Outpatient medical records; Lab results are documented in an online database that can be reviewed; Nurses working in the Hospital should not have a need to access lab results of inmates not assigned to the Hospital.

Executive Director of Nursing Ashley Weseman (DON Weseman) was interviewed and stated: Nurse Russell was assigned to the Hospital and never worked Outpatient at RMC; Nurse Russell

[REDACTED] The "house supervisor" (Hospital Nursing Supervisor) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Nurse Russell did not have authorization to be in a relationship with an inmate; Nurse Russell should have submitted an Incident Report detailing the relationship, but did not report it.

Inmate Sumner was interviewed and stated: He never seen Nurse Russell when he returned to RMC but did communicate on the kiosk (JPay); Nurse Russell never [REDACTED] at RMC; Nurse Russell shouldn't have [REDACTED]

Warden Joseph Edwards (Warden Edwards) was interviewed and stated: He is the Officer in Charge of RMC; If an employee is involved in a relationship with an inmate, it must be documented in an Incident Report; Any communication must be approved by the Warden at the facility; He never approved for Nurse Russell to communicate with Inmate Sumner; He is the final approver for the communication between employees and inmates.

Based on Nurse Russell and Inmate Sumner's relationship, corroborated by JPay messages, Nurse Russell utilized the JPay account [REDACTED] F Sumner" to conceal her identity in order to communicate with Inmate Sumner. Nurse Russell used the personal identifying information of her daughter, [REDACTED] to intentionally, knowingly, and purposely suppress her true identity and further deceive someone attempting to identify the true owner of the JPay account [REDACTED] F Sumner".

A post-Miranda interview was conducted with Nurse Russell [REDACTED]

On February 25, 2020, Assistant State Attorney Shawn Thompson (ASA Thompson) was briefed on the case and advised to move forward with this affidavit.

WHEREFORE, your affiant prays that an arrest warrant be issued according to law commanding all and singular the Sheriffs of the State of Florida to forthwith arrest the said Kendra Lei Russell and bring her before the court to answer the charges of: Access Computer Without/Exceeding Authorization, Unlawful Use of Two-Way Communication Device, and Introduction of Contraband – Written/Recorded Communication.



AFFIANT
Senior Inspector Jared Dewey

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this ____ day of February 2020, by Senior Inspector Jared Dewey who is personally known to me or who produced appropriate identification.



Mitchell D. Bishop
JUDGE OF THE ABOVE COURT

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ARREST WARRANT

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, TO ALL AND SINGULAR SHERIFFS OF THE
STATE OF FLORIDA:

HAVING RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED THE SWORN AFFIDAVIT OF SENIOR INSPECTOR
JARED DEWEY OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS OFFICE OF
INSPECTOR GENERAL DATED March 4, 2020 2020, SAID AFFIDAVIT ALLEGING:

COUNT 1

Kendra Lei Russell, a contracted Nurse employed by the State of Florida, on or about
August 2019 in Union County, Florida, then and there, willfully, knowingly, and without
authorization or exceeding authorization, accessed or caused to be accessed any computer,
computer system, computer network, or electronic device with knowledge that such access is
unauthorized or the manner of use exceeds authorization, namely [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of Inmate Sumner who was not currently or ever [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] but was done for personal benefit; contrary to Florida State Statute 815.06(2)(a).

COUNT 2

Kendra Lei Russell, a contracted Nurse employed by the State of Florida, on numerous
occasions, on or about August 2019 in Union County, Florida, then and there, used a two-way
communications device, including, but not limited to, a cellular phone and computer, to further the
commission of a felony, namely: Access Computer Without/Exceeding Authorization, and
Introduction of Contraband – Written/Recorded Communication; contrary to Florida State Statute
934.215.

COUNT 3

Kendra Lei Russell, a contracted Nurse employed by the State of Florida, on August 14,
2019, in Union County, Florida, then and there, introduced into or upon the grounds of any state
correctional institution any written or recorded communication without authorization of the officer
in charge of the correctional institution; contrary to Florida State Statute 944.47(1)(a)(1).

COUNT 34

Kendra Lei Russell, a contracted Nurse employed by the State of Florida, on August 27, 2019, in Union County, Florida, then and there, introduced into or upon the grounds of any state correctional institution any written or recorded communication without authorization of the officer in charge of the correctional institution; contrary to Florida State Statute 944.47(1)(a)(1).

COUNT 35

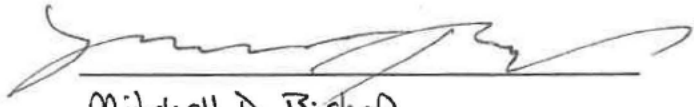
Kendra Lei Russell, a contracted Nurse employed by the State of Florida, on August 27, 2019, in Union County, Florida, then and there, introduced into or upon the grounds of any state correctional institution any written or recorded communication without authorization of the officer in charge of the correctional institution; contrary to Florida State Statute 944.47(1)(a)(1).

COUNT 36

Kendra Lei Russell, a contracted Nurse employed by the State of Florida, on August 27, 2019, in Union County, Florida, then and there, introduced into or upon the grounds of any state correctional institution any written or recorded communication without authorization of the officer in charge of the correctional institution; contrary to Florida State Statute 944.47(1)(a)(1).

THESE ARE THEREFORE TO COMMAND YOU TO FORTHWITH ARREST AND BRING THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT BEFORE ME TO BE DEALT WITH ACCORDING TO LAW.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL this 4th day of ^{March}~~February~~ 2020, at Union County, Florida.



Mitchell D. Bishop
JUDGE OF THE ABOVE COURT

[] BAIL BOND IS FIXED AT:

Count 1	\$ <u>5,000</u>	Access Computer Without/Exceeding Authorization
Count 2	\$ <u>2,500</u>	Unlawful Use of Two-Way Communication Device
Counts 3-36	\$ <u>ROR</u>	Introduction of Contraband - Written/Recorded Communication (36 counts)

[] BAIL BOND IS TO BE SET AT FIRST APPEARANCE