

Attachment 'A'

The following Affidavit is submitted to the Court to document the probable cause in support of a request for the issuance of an Arrest Warrant for GARCIA, William Walker DOB: 06/10/1997 SSN: 2019

This offense is fully documented in Colorado Springs Police Department Offense Report 19-40237 detailing the offense(s) of:

§18-3-104, Manslaughter, Class Four Felony (F4);

With the victim(s) identified as:

1. SANCHEZ, Alexis; DOB: 01/05/1989; Age (30) Race: White; Gender: Male

Your Affiant, Detective M. Lehmkuhi 1867, is currently a sworn police officer for the City of Colorado Springs and has been employed by the Colorado Springs Police Department since August 2000. Your Affiant is currently assigned as a detective to the Violent Crimes Section of the Colorado Springs Police Department.

Facts contained within this affidavit are documented in official Colorado Springs Police Department (CSPD) case report number 19-40237. Unless otherwise noted, all the described events occurred within the City of Colorado Springs, County of El Paso, State of Colorado.

On October 27, 2019, at approximately 1831 hours, the Colorado Springs Police Department received a report of a shooting which occurred at 3853 Westmeadow Drive #101. Uniformed officers with the Colorado Springs Police Department responded to 3853 Westmeadow Drive #101 and found a male on the living room floor with a gunshot to the chest. Medical personal arrived on scene and performed life saving measures but the victim succumbed to his wounds. The victim was identified as Alexis Sanchez DOB: 01/05/1989.

Officers contacted three individuals who were also inside apartment #101. These individuals were identified as William Garcia DOB: 06/10/1997, Christopher Valencia DOB: 06/09/1998, and Jordan Machuca DOB: 08/11/1996.

Detective G. Wilhelmi 1350 responded to 3853 Westmeadow Drive #101 and contacted officers who were at that location. Upon entering into apartment #101, Detective Wilhelmi observed the following. Detective Wilhelmi observed Alexis Sanchez laying on the living room floor deceased. Directly southeast of the living room was the kitchen for the apartment where a tan colored handgun was observed laying in the center of the kitchen floor. Along the south wall with a sliding glass door, Detective Wilhelmi observed a shell casing on the floor directly in front of the glass door.

The bedroom directly north of the kitchen had a hole/defect consistent with a bullet hole which was above and to the left of the door handle. Detective Wilhelmi observed suspected blood on the door and on the floor in front of the door. Inside of this bedroom, Detective Wilhelmi observed a black office chair that also had a hole in it. The hole went through the chair and was located just left of center in the middle of the chair back. On the floor in front of the chair, Detective Wilhelmi located a projectile that had what appeared to be blood on it.

Also inside of the apartment, Detective Wilhelmi observed several other guns to include a handgun on the floor of Alexis Sanchez's bedroom by the bed. There was a handgun observed in the living room on the entertainment center on the north wall and another was observed behind the couch on the south wall. There was also a rifle located in the other bedroom which belonged to Jordan Machuca.

Observations made during the initial scene evaluation do not appear to be consistent with a firearm being discharged from the area of the floor as described by William Garcia.

I conducted a mirandized interview with William Garcia who gave the following statement. William Garcia stated he had gone over to 3853 Westmeadow Drive #101 earlier in the evening. 3853 Westmeadow Drive #101 stated that Jordan Machuca and Alexis Sanchez were at the apartment when he arrived. William Garcia further stated Christopher Valencia arrived later. William Garcia stated Alexis Sanchez was in his bedroom and remained there while he, Christopher Valencia, and Jordan Machuca hung out in the apartment in the living room and kitchen areas. William Garcia stated that he located a tan colored Glock 19 handgun inside a drawer in the living room, removed it, and began looking at it. William Garcia stated he saw that the ammunition magazine was inserted into the handgun and the slide was forward. William Garcia stated he assumed that the handgun was unloaded, but never checked or verified that the handgun was unloaded.

At one point, while holding the handgun, William Garcia stated he was in the kitchen. William Garcia described holding the handgun upside down and pointed away from him as he was looking at a "loop" on the bottom of the handgun. William Garcia stated while doing this, the handgun fell out of his hands and hit the kitchen floor causing the handgun to discharge. William Garcia stated the bullet hit the door of Alexis Sanchez's bedroom. William Garcia stated he then saw that door briefly open, then shut, and then heard Alexis Sanchez yell something. William Garcia stated they went to the bedroom door and had to force the door open. William Garcia stated he saw Alexis Sanchez and saw that he was shot. William Garcia stated Christopher Valencia called 911 and handed him the phone. William Garcia stated he spoke to the person from 911 while Christopher Valencia and Jordan Machuca pulled Alexis Sanchez from the bedroom into the living room and attempted CPR until medical personnel arrived.

William Garcia stated that he is currently employed by the U.S. Army and has received training (basic and advance) in firearms. William Garcia further stated he has owned a different Glock 19 handgun since 2017 and has previously used this handgun.

Detective Schiffelbein contacted Jordan Machuca and obtained the following statement. Jordan Machuca advised he was at his residence with Alexis Sanchez, William Garcia, and Christopher Valencia. According to Jordan Machuca, Alexis Sanchez was in his bedroom playing video games and the rest of them were in the main living area. Jordan Machuca advised that William Garcia had located a Glock handgun that was kept in a drawer in the living room of the residence. Jordan Machuca indicated that he keeps this gun at his apartment for a friend, as the friend cannot have it at his residence.

Jordan Machuca stated that after William Garcia located this gun, he began messing around with it, commenting on the type of gun it was as well as the flashlight that was mounted to the light. Jordan Machuca stated he saw William Garcia pointing it at things, including a washer and dryer in the

apartment, and just after that, he heard a gunshot. Jordan Machuca stated he looked over and saw William Garcia with the gun still in his hand. Jordan Machuca stated he then realized that Alexis Sanchez had been shot while Alexis Sanchez was in his bedroom. Jordan Machuca stated he attempted to render aid to Alexis Sanchez, and was still doing CPR when patrol officers arrived on scene.

Detective McCleary contacted Christopher Valencia and obtained the following statement. Christopher Valencia stated he went to 3853 Westmeadow Drive #101 earlier in the evening. Christopher Valencia stated Jordan Machuca, William Garcia, and Alexis Sanchez were inside of the apartment when he arrived. Christopher Valencia further stated Alexis Sanchez was in his bedroom and remained there for the night. While in the kitchen, Christopher Valencia stated someone (unknown which person) pulled out a tan Glock handgun. Christopher Valencia stated that they all (himself, William Garcia, and Jordan Machuca) looked at the gun and handled the handgun. While William Garcia had the handgun in his hand, he heard a single shot fired from the handgun. Christopher Valencia stated he then saw a bullet hole in the door of Alexis Sanchez's bedroom. Christopher Valencia stated they went to this bedroom and upon entering observed Alexis Sanchez laying on the floor. Christopher Valencia stated he helped Jordan Machuca to the living room floor where they attempted to render aid. Christopher Valencia stated he dialed 911 and handed his cell phone to William Garcia, who was pacing in the living room. Christopher Valencia stated he and Jordan Machuca continued to provide aid to Alexis Sanchez until help arrived. Christopher Valencia stated he saw injuries to the chest and back area of Alexis Sanchez.

I would respectfully request that probable cause be found that GARCIA, William Walker DOB: 06/10/1997 did within the City of Colorado Springs, County of El Paso and State of Colorado, commit in violation of the Colorado Revised Statutes 1973 as amended, the offense(s) of §18-3-104, Manslaughter, Class Four Felony (F4).



Applicant: M. LEHMKUHL 1867
Colorado Springs Police Department
Position: Detective

Sworn and subscribed before me this day 27 of October, 2019


Judge