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IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT, SALT LAKE DEPARTMENT

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SALT LAKE, STATE OF UTAH

THE STATE OF UTAH,

Plaintiff,

VS.

AYOOLA ADISA AJAYI, DOB: 04/22/1988, AKA: AJ, 547 North 1000 West Salt Lake City, UT 84116 OTN 58690330 SO# 416400 Booking# 19031136

Defendant.

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INFORMATION

DAO # 19014106

NO BAIL

Warrant/Release: WARRANT

Case No.

The undersigned Detective N. Wiley with the Salt Lake City Police Department, Agency Case No. 19-111129, upon a written declaration states on information and belief that the defendant, AYOOLA ADISA AJAYI, committed the crime(s) of:

COUNT 1

CRIMINAL HOMICIDE, AGGRAVATED MURDER, 76-5-202 UCA, a First Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about June 17, 2019 in Salt Lake County, State of Utah, the defendant did intentionally or knowingly cause the death of another under any of the following circumstances: the homicide was committed incident to an act, scheme, course of conduct, or criminal episode during which the actor committed or attempted to commit aggravated kidnapping, or kidnapping; or the actor dismembered, mutilated, or disfigured the victim's body, whether before or after death, in a manner demonstrating the actor's depravity of mind.

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COUNT 2

AGGRAVATED KIDNAPPING, 76-5-302 UCA, a First Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about June 17, 2019 in Salt Lake County, State of Utah, the defendant did, in the course of committing unlawful detention or kidnapping, act with intent:

to facilitate the commission, attempted commission, or flight after commission or attempted commission of a felony;

to hinder or delay the discovery of or reporting of a felony; or to inflict bodily injury on or to terrorize the victim or another.

COUNT 3

OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE, 76-8-306(1) UCA, a Second Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about June 17, 2019 in Salt Lake County, State of Utah, the defendant did, with intent to hinder, delay, or prevent the investigation, apprehension, prosecution, conviction, or punishment of any person regarding conduct that constituted a criminal offense,

alter, destroy, conceal, or remove any item or other thing;

make, present, or use any item or thing known by the actor to be false;

harbor or conceal a person; or

provide false information regarding a suspect, a witness, the conduct constituting an offense, or any other material aspect of the investigation; and

the conduct which constituted a criminal offense would be a capital felony or first degree felony.

COUNT 4

ABUSE OR DESECRATION OF A HUMAN BODY, 76-9-704(2) UCA, a Third Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about June 17, 2019 at 547 North 1000 West, in Salt Lake County, State of Utah, the defendant did intentionally and unlawfully: disturb, move, remove, conceal, or destroy a dead human body or any part of it; or dismember a dead human body to any extent, or damage or detach any part or portion of a dead human body.

THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON EVIDENCE OBTAINED FROM THE FOLLOWING WITNESSES:

Detective N. Wiley, F.M., G.L., M.L., and Dr. Zach Michalicek

DECLARATION OF PROBABLE CAUSE:

Your affiant bases probable cause on information and evidence collected by Salt Lake City Police Department, Case No. 2019-111129 and the following:

On June 20, 2019, Greg Lueck reported to Salt Lake City Police that he had not received any communication from his daughter, Mackenzie Lueck, since she returned to Salt Lake City from California on June 17, 2019.

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Cell phone records for Mackenzie showed that she exchanged several text messages with an individual later identified as AYOOLA ADISA AJAYI in the early morning hours of June 17, 2019. Mackenzie's last text to AJAYI that morning was at 2:58 a.m.

Salt Lake City Police Detectives began to search for Mackenzie and discovered that after arriving in Salt Lake City on June 17, she took a Lyft from Salt Lake City International Airport to Hatch Park in North Salt Lake City. Lyft records indicated that Mackenzie was dropped off at Hatch Park at approximately 2:59 a.m. Cell phone records for both Mackenzie and AJAYI place them at Hatch Park during this timeframe. Additionally, Mackenzie's cell phone records indicate that her phone was powered off at 2:59 a.m. and was never powered back on. A forensic analysis of phone records shows that AJAYI's phone was back at his residence located at 547 North 1000 West in Salt Lake County, Utah at approximately 3:07 a.m.

On June 26, 2019, investigators executed a search warrant on AJAYI's home. Detectives discovered what appeared to be a freshly dug site behind AJAYI's garage. During the forensic excavation of the site, police located a human bone, charred muscular tissue, part of a scalp with hair, a cell phone and other charred personal items. Furthermore, in an alleyway adjacent to AJAYI's home, investigators located charred black fabric, buckles and other items of evidentiary value. DNA testing of the muscular tissue returned a profile consistent with a DNA profile obtained from personal items belonging to Mackenzie.

While executing the search warrant, detectives were directed to one of AJAYI'S neighbors who reported that on June 17, 2019 the neighbor detected a "horrible smell" coming from a fire in AJAYI's backyard. The neighbor stated that this fire was located behind AJAYI's garage in a pit covered by a white door in the same area detectives found the freshly dug site. The neighbor also observed AJAYI pouring gasoline on the fire.

During the execution of the search warrant, detectives seized AJAYI's vehicle where a subsequent search revealed a strong odor of gasoline emitting from the trunk. Inside the trunk was a red gasoline can. Further investigation revealed that AJAYI purchased a similar gas can at Smith's location near his residence at approximately 9:00 a.m. on June 17, 2019.

Subsequent analysis of AJAYI's cell phone records placed AJAYI's cell phone near Logan Canyon on June 25, 2019 between 2:30 and 4:30 p.m.

On July 3, 2019, law enforcement responded to Logan Canyon to search for Mackenzie's remains. After a lengthy search, detectives located a disturbed area of soil under a grove of trees. Under the soil, detectives located a charred human body. DNA testing of the body returned a profile consistent with Mackenzie's profile. Mackenzie's arms were bound behind her back by a zip tie and rope. A five centimeter hole was located on the left side of her skull with part of her left scalp missing.

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Dr. Zachary Michalicek with the Utah Office of the Medical Examiner, performed an autopsy on Mackenzie. Dr. Michalicek determined that Mackenzie suffered blunt force trauma to the left side of her skull resulting in significant intracranial hemorrhaging which would have been fatal. Dr. Michalicek preliminarily determined the manner of death to be homicide.

REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF A WARRANT:

Due to the nature of the offenses and facts as alleged in the probable cause statement, under UCA 77-20-1(2)(c), the State hereby requests that the Court issue a Warrant of Arrest in this case with a bail amount of NO BAIL due to substantial evidence supporting the charge and Defendant constituting a substantial danger to any other person in the community. Further, Defendant is a permanent resident with the United States and is likely to flee the jurisdiction if released on bail.

Pursuant to Utah Code Annotated § 78B-5-705 (2008) I declare under criminal penalty of the State of Utah that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my belief and knowledge.

Executed on:

Detective N. Wiley

Declarant

Authorized for presentment and filing

SIM GILL, District Attorney

Deputy District Attorney 9th day of July, 2019

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