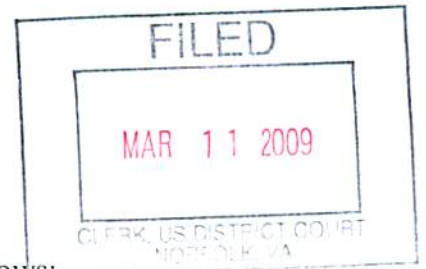


AFFIDAVIT



I, Jennifer V. Collins, being duly sworn, depose and state as follows:

4:09MJ105

**A. EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING**

I, Jennifer V. Collins, have been a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) since July 2002. My duties as an agent include investigating various federal crimes, including white collar crimes, civil rights, drugs and violent crimes. Prior to my service with the FBI, I was employed at various state agencies as an investigator with the State of Florida from 1996 to July 2002.

I make this affidavit in support of an application for the issuance of a criminal complaint and arrest warrant for **PATSY ANN MARIE MONTOWSKI**, white female, SS# XXX-XX-XX82, DOB XX-X-82, of Virginia Beach, Virginia, for Accessory after the Fact to Assault within the Special Maritime and Territorial Jurisdiction of the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 3 and 7.

**B. FACTS SUPPORTING PROBABLE CAUSE**

1. This affidavit contains a probable cause statement to support the issuance of the criminal complaint for this offense and does not contain all the information known to this affiant regarding the defendant. This affidavit consists of information provided by officers and agents with the Fort Eustis Military Police, Army Criminal Investigations Division (Army CID), the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Virginia State Police. The below described events occurred at Fort Eustis, a United States Army Base, located in Newport News, Virginia and elsewhere in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ASJ  
JVC

2. On March 8, 2009, at approximately 5:50 a.m., Fort Eustis Emergency Medical Services personnel responded to a call in reference to a stabbing at Building 696, at Fort Eustis. Upon arrival, they found Army Specialist Mitchell Stone in the staff duty area of the building. He had been stabbed multiple times in the thigh and the throat. Stone was conscious and told responding personnel that he was assaulted with a stun gun and stabbed. Furthermore, he was able to identify Army Specialist Christopher Neal Lanum as the individual responsible for his injuries, which occurred directly following Lanum's girlfriend (**PATSY ANN MARIE MONTOWSKI**) passing through his room to the common area of their suite. Stone was transported, via the Nightingale Airlift, to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital with serious injuries.

3. On March 8, 2009, at approximately 6:00 a.m., officers with the Fort Eustis Military Police arrived at Building 696, rooms 258 and 259, which belong to Stone and Lanum, respectively. Lanum was not present. The rooms are private individual rooms that share a kitchen/common area and bathroom, which is located in between the two rooms and accessible from either side. Officers observed what appeared to be blood in room 258, Stone's room, and the common area/kitchen. Specifically, there appeared to be blood splatter on the walls, floors and furniture. There was a knife and gun on the floor of the common area/kitchen and a stun gun, which was covered in blood, on the floor of room 258. The officers also found in room 259 a woman's purse hanging from the bed post. The driver's license located in a wallet inside the purse belonged to **PATSY ANN MARIE MONTOWSKI**.

4. Special Agents with Army CID arrived at Building 696, rooms 258 and 259 and conducted a thorough search of the crime scene. In addition to what the Fort Eustis Military Police found, agents determined the gun found on the floor next to the knife to be a .45 Caliber

Smith and Wesson pistol. There was a magazine in the pistol and it appeared to be loaded. There were two more knives on the kitchen counter that appeared to be clean. In room 259, Lanum's room, there was a computer located in a hutch and the internet was up and running and it appeared someone was searching for information about sleeping gas. There was a baggy on the hutch below the computer monitor which contained residue of a green leafy substance and a small piece of a screen. Located on a dresser in room 259 there were several empty knife sheaths, an envelope with a green leafy substance on it and a glass pipe with what appeared to be a burnt substance packed in it. Next to the pipe was a lighter with a marijuana leaf symbol on it. There were masks and pictures/paintings of the Joker, a character from the recent "Batman" movie, on the walls of Lanum's room and face paint on the hutch and dresser. There was also an empty box of shotgun shells in the room and an empty box for a shotgun. The area between the kitchen/common area and Stone's room was in disarray and it appeared that a violent struggle had taken place. Agents also conducted a search of Lanum's vehicle, located in the parking lot outside of the barracks, and found a letter. At the top of the letter it stated, "To our families and friends". The letter appears to leave messages for each of Lanum and MONTOWSKI's children and their parents.

5. Law enforcement agents issued an alert for both Lanum and MONTOWSKI to other law enforcement authorities around the commonwealth, commonly referred to as a BOLO (Be on the Lookout), stating that they were wanted for an attempted murder and that they were armed and dangerous. Later, another BOLO was issued for a felony vehicle with occupants armed, for a license plate number for a 1999 blue Ford Windstar that MONTOWSKI was believed to be driving.

6. On March 8, 2009, at approximately 11:00 am, a United States Park Ranger (USPR) spotted the suspect vehicle, the blue Ford Windstar, on Skyline Drive at Gooney Manor Overlook, in the Shenandoah National Park. The USPR's attention was drawn to the vehicle and the two individuals who were standing outside of the vehicle, later determined to be Lanum and **MONTOWSKI**, because they were both wearing head coverings which covered their hair, and one of them stared at the USPR with big eyes, appearing startled. The ranger turned his vehicle around to get a better look and Lanum and **MONTOWSKI** had gotten into the vehicle and proceeded to drive southbound. When the USPR ran the license plate through the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles database, he discovered the BOLO for the vehicle. The National Park Service dispatcher called Army Military Police at Fort Eustis to obtain information regarding the BOLO. The USPR maintained surveillance on the vehicle and requested assistance from the Virginia State Police (VSP) and the Page County Sheriff's Office (PCSO).

7. The USPR observed Lanum driving the vehicle southbound, and while following the vehicle, Lanum pulled the vehicle across both lanes of traffic and blocked the roadway. The USPR backed up, turned around, and pulled into an overlook because he did not want to confront Lanum without other law enforcement assistance. At this point, the USPR could no longer see the blue Ford Windstar. The USPR waited a few minutes, and since Lanum did not drive by, the USPR believed Lanum must have continued southbound, so the USPR drove southbound. The USPR and Lanum then passed each other traveling in opposite directions, so the USPR changed directions and began traveling northbound on Skyline Drive, following Lanum. **PATSY ANN MARIE MONTOWSKI** was seated in the passenger side of the vehicle. The VSP and PCSO joined the USPR in following the vehicle, and at some point, they activated their emergency lights in an attempt to stop the vehicle, but Lanum did not stop. Lanum carried the officers on a

pmc  
JVC

slow speed pursuit, driving 35 to 55 miles per hour. The normal speed on the scenic Skyline Drive is 35 miles per hour, as there are numerous curves in the road. At approximately 11:51 a.m., while Lanum was exiting the north end of the National Park at Front Royal, law enforcement officers deployed spike strips to stop Lanum. The officers then utilized their sirens in addition to their emergency lights, in attempt to stop Lanum. After driving over the spike strips, Lanum then sped up to approximately 60-65 miles per hour, lost control of the vehicle, crossed the center and struck a parked pick-up truck on the other side of the road.

8. Officers observed **MONTOWSKI** reach into the back seat of the vehicle. Law enforcement officers approached Lanum's vehicle on the driver's side, while one trooper approached the passenger side. The officers observed Lanum holding a shotgun, with the barrel of the firearm facing some of the troopers on the driver's side of the vehicle and Lanum's finger on the trigger. One officer demanded numerous times for Lanum to put down his firearm and put his hands up, but he refused all commands. One trooper fired through the window of the driver's side of the vehicle and Lanum's shotgun discharged. Lanum was ultimately struck several times and killed. **MONTOWSKI** was also struck and treated at Inova Fairfax Hospital in Fairfax, Virginia for non-life threatening wounds.

9. A number of items were found at the shooting scene including: a 12 gauge Mossberg Model 88 shotgun with no shoulder stock, several knives, a bloody straight-edge razor and a loaded magazine for a .45 pistol.

10. FBI Special Agent Bradley S. Gregor and VSP Special Agent Hunter Lenz conducted an interview of **MONTOWSKI** at Inova Fairfax Hospital. **MONTOWSKI** initially refused to provide her true identity to medical personnel and was admitted to the hospital under the name Havana Havana. Upon speaking with law enforcement personnel, she admitted that

her name was **PATSY MONTOWSKI**. **MONTOWSKI** initially told agents that she and Lanum were driving around the park looking at scenery, and they had driven to find a place to watch the sunrise. She said that Lanum noticed a park ranger following them and then shortly thereafter they activated the emergency lights. She stated that the spike strips were thrown in front of the car and Lanum sped up and drove through them. When the vehicle stopped, Lanum had a shotgun out and was trying to shoot himself. She then stated that Lanum handed the shotgun to her and asked her to kill him, but she threw the shotgun down and Lanum picked up the shotgun and pointed it at his stomach. She then gave her version of what occurred during the police shooting. She also told agents that Lanum had approximately 12 knives of different sizes and shapes for their protection. At first, she denied that Lanum had any guns other than the shotgun involved in the shooting. Later in the interview, when asked about a .45 caliber pistol that was found at the stabbing scene, she acknowledged that Lanum had the pistol and she last saw it Friday in Lanum's top drawer where he kept it. She claimed she did not see the pistol during a fight between Lanum and Stone which occurred earlier in the morning. **MONTOWSKI** told agents that on Sunday morning she was in Lanum's room with Lanum. At approximately 2:00 a.m. on Sunday morning, Lanum was "preparing for war" as he often did. Preparing for war consisted of cleaning all of his knives and "getting ready." She said that he has done this several times in the past, however, this time was different because he was actually in clothes (black pants and green vest). Later in the morning, she went outside to retrieve cigarettes from her vehicle. When she returned, Lanum would not let her into the room, so she knocked on Stone's door and Stone allowed her to pass through his room to get to the common area, and then to Lanum's room. **MONTOWSKI** told agents that Lanum and Stone then began arguing and pushing, and this developed into a full fight. During the fight, **MONTOWSKI** said

she took a knife out of Lanum's hand and placed it on the counter top near the sink. At one point, Stone was on top of Lanum, so **MONTOWSKI** used her stun gun on Stone, and tried to push Stone off from Lanum. **MONTOWSKI** did not believe the stun gun was working. **MONTOWSKI** told agents she saw a lot of blood, and Lanum had some injuries, including cuts to his face, arms and finger. **MONTOWSKI** said the large amount of blood she observed did not come from Lanum's injuries. When the fight ended, **MONTOWSKI** observed Stone run in the opposite direction from which she and Lanum ran. **MONTOWSKI** did not describe any specific incident that would have caused the two of them to fight that morning. **MONTOWSKI** told agents that she was driving the vehicle after the fight, and Lanum painted his face at that time. She denied that his face was painted before the fight. **MONTOWSKI** further stated that Lanum idolized the "joker" and said everything the joker did he did for a reason, like killing people, and that he agreed with the philosophy of doing things for a reason. She stated that this past Halloween Lanum bought a joker costume and wore it. Lanum had also wore the face paint before, but this time was the most detailed. **MONTOWSKI** admitted to agents that she transcribed a good bye note for Lanum before the fight between Lanum and Stone. She admitted that she also wrote a note to her kids, but said she was not serious and did so only because Lanum did. **MONTOWSKI** said it was not a suicide note, but a "good bye" note. The letter for Lanum was written Sunday morning prior to the fight and was left on the seat of Lanum's car. The letter was to his daughter Andrea and he used the words "he could not explain his actions". **MONTOWSKI** further admitted that the stun gun was hers and that she had recently purchased it at a military surplus store and that Lanum was with her when she purchased it. Finally, she admitted that she carried the stun gun on her person and that it was on her when she went to get cigarettes from her car before the incident with Stone.

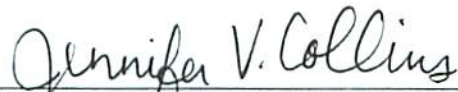
11. On March 10, 2009, FBI Agent Crosby Brackett interviewed Stone. Stone provided his account of what occurred with Lanum and **MONTOWSKI**. Stone stated that **MONTOWSKI** knocked on his door in the morning of March 8, 2009 while he was sleeping. Stone opened the door and **MONTOWSKI** asked if she could access the common area so she could enter Lanum's room. Stone let her have access into his room. He noticed **MONTOWSKI** seemed to be deliberately walking slowly from the outside door to the common area door. **MONTOWSKI** did not completely shut the door between his room and the common area. He thought this was strange. The door was closed before she had entered and it had a locking mechanism. Stone was thirsty, so before he went back to bed, he went to get some water. Stone went through the common area door and saw Lanum and **MONTOWSKI**, standing in the dark outside the door to his room. They appeared surprised to see him. Stone stated Lanum said multiple times "get him!" Lanum then attacked Stone, shocking him three times with a stun gun. Lanum shocked Stone once in the neck, once in the shoulder and once in the ribs. Stone fell but grabbed Lanum and also brought him to the ground. During this time, Stone punched Lanum one time and knocked the stun gun from his hand. Stone got on top of Lanum, who was on the floor and laid across him so Lanum could not get up. He continuously told Lanum to "stop" and "chill out"! Stone also told **MONTOWSKI**, "tell him to stop"! Lanum then told **MONTOWSKI** "tase him", referring to Stone. **MONTOWSKI** straddled Stone and shocked him approximately four times in the arm and back, utilizing a stun gun. Stone got up off of Lanum and fought off **MONTOWSKI**. He he hit **MONTOWSKI** and attempted to run back into his room through the common area entry/exit. As he fled to his room he felt something warm on his leg and noticed blood running down the back of his leg. He turned and noticed Lanum holding a knife. Stone kicked Lanum and ran to the exterior door to his room. Stone

PHS  
JVC

tried to open the door so he could flee outside. Before Stone was able to open the door Lanum came from behind and cut his throat. Stone raised his hand to protect his throat and Lanum cut his hand. Lanum then proceeded to cut his throat again. Stone elbowed Lanum knocking him off and was able to exit the building and go down to the staff duty area to ask for an ambulance. Stone did not see **MONTOWSKI** and Lanum after he exited the entry/exit for the staff duty area. Stone stated Lanum was wearing a "joker outfit" which appeared to be his Halloween outfit he had worn previously. Stone said Lanum was not wearing any face paint.

C. CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, it is the belief of this affiant that there is probable cause for the arrest of **PATSY ANN MARIE MONTOWSKI** for Accessory after the Fact to Assault within the Special Maritime and Territorial Jurisdiction of the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 3 and 7.



\_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer V. Collins  
Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subscribed and sworn to this <sup>pm</sup> 11 day of March, 2009.



\_\_\_\_\_  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE