

IN THE DISTRICT/SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
AT ANCHORAGE

(XX) STATE OF ALASKA)
() MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE)
Plaintiff,)
vs)
Brent Avery Smith Defendant.)
DOB: [REDACTED] ATN: [REDACTED])

APD CASE NUMBER: [REDACTED]
CASE NO. 3AN- 2607 CR

FELONY ARREST WARRANT

To Any Peace Officer OR Other Authorized Person:

You are commanded to arrest the defendant and bring the defendant before the nearest available judicial officer without unnecessary delay to answer to a complaint/information/indictment charging the defendant with violation of

Murder in the First Degree AS 11.41.100(a)(1)(A)
Murder in the Second Degree AS 11.41.110(a)(1)

Bail is set at \$ to be set



The defendant may not be released until the court approves a third party custodian and/or conditions of release.



[Signature]
Judge/Deputy Clerk as ordered on the record by Judge Manculich

Date

Sex: M Race: B Ht: 5'10" Wt: 190 Hair: BLACK Eyes: BROWN
DOB: [REDACTED] OL/ID: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]
Last known Address: [REDACTED] phone: [REDACTED]
Place of Employment: [REDACTED] phone: [REDACTED]

RETURN

Original warrant received by: AST _____ Police Dept. on _____
I certify that State Trooper or Peace Officer _____, Badge No. _____,
executed this warrant by arresting the defendant in _____, Alaska, on _____.
The defendant _____ was _____ was not served with a copy of the warrant.

Return Date

Signature of Peace Officer

Type or Print Name

Badge No.

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State of Alaska) 3ANS-22-2607 CR
Plaintiff)
Vs.) ATN: 118331928
Brent Avery Smith)
DOB: [REDACTED]) APD #:22-11196
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APSIN ID [REDACTED])

FELONY

I certify that this document and its attachments do not contain information (1) the name of a victim of a sexual offence listed in AS 12.51.140 or (2) a residence or business address or telephone number of a victim of or witness to any offence unless it is an address used to identify the place of the crime or it is an address or telephone number in a transcript of a court proceeding and disclosure of the information was ordered by the court.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES Per AS 18.66.990(3) and (5)
 ALL COUNTS NONE SPECIFIED BELOW

Count I

Murder in the First Degree
AS 11.41.100(a)(1)(A)
CTN001

Count II

Murder in the Second Degree
AS 11.41.110(a)(1)
CTN002

THE COMPLAINT CHARGES

Count I

That on or about the 9th day of April, 2022, at or near Anchorage in the Third Judicial District, State of Alaska, Brent A. Smith, with intent to cause the death of another person, caused the death of any person; to wit: Julian Francis Jr.

All of which is an Unclassified felony offense being contrary to and in violation of AS 11.41.100(a)(1)(A) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Alaska.

Count II

That on or about the 9th day of April, 2022, at or near Anchorage in the Third Judicial District, State of Alaska, Brent A. Smith, with intent to cause serious physical injury to another person or knowing that the conduct is substantially certain to cause death or serious physical injury to another person, caused the death of any person; to wit: Julian Francis Jr.

All of which is an Unclassified felony offense being contrary to and in violation of AS 11.41.110(a)(1) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Alaska.

AFFIDAVIT OF J. BAKER

I, JADE BAKER, being first duly sworn on oath, hereby depose and state:

1. I am a Police Officer employed by the Municipality of Anchorage Police Department and am presently a Commissioned Police Officer in the State of Alaska and assigned to the Anchorage Police Department Homicide Unit.
2. I have been with the Anchorage Police Department as an Officer, since May 2002. I have over nineteen (19) years total Law Enforcement experience.
3. I have graduated from the Anchorage Police Department law enforcement academy. I have graduated the Field Training Officer Program set forth by the APD. I have also completed a Bachelor's Degree in Occupational Education.
4. I have participated in numerous sexual assault and homicide investigations. I spent two years in the APD VICE Unit, eight years on the Major Crime Scene Response Team (additional team assignment) and nine years in the Special Victims Unit. My current assignment is that of homicide detective and I have been in that capacity for over four years.

HISTORY

5. On 4/9/2022 at about 0900 hr, I was contacted by Sgt. Cross and advised that there had been a Homicide Unit call-out. She went on to say that there had been a shooting at an Anchorage Hotel and that one subject was deceased from a gunshot wound.

6. Upon arrival at the Homicide Office, I contacted Sgt. Cross, Det. Elbie, Det. Clark, and Det. Roberts. Ofc. McPhetres briefed us on the facts of the case as he understood them. It was determined that Det. Clark would be the lead detective on the case. Det. Baker (this officer) was tasked with applying for search warrants. Det. Elbie, Det. Roberts, and Det. Cordie were tasked with conducting interviews. Ofc. McPhetres provided the following information:

7. On 4/9/2022 at about 0832 hr, APD Officers were called to the [REDACTED], located at [REDACTED], to investigate a shooting that had just occurred. Upon arrival they discovered a male adult named JULIAN FRANCIS, on the floor of the Swimming Pool Room with a single gunshot wound to the chest. First responders performed CPR on FRANCIS but he ultimately succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead by medics.

Multiple witnesses at the scene were interviewed and provided the following description for the suspect: a black male adult, dreadlock hair, "chin-strap" beard, and a black tee-shirt. Security video footage was provided by the hotel staff and images of a light-skinned black male adult with dreadlocks and a black "Metallica" tee-shirt matched the description that had been provided. Witnesses reported that the suspect went by the name "KODA" of "JAKOTA" and that there was a social media account for someone with that name.

8. Hotel staff reported that CHARLES BRENNAN had rented Room 410 of the [REDACTED] the night before and multiple friends had stayed in the room with him. JULIAN FRANCIS was among the friend group.

On 4/9/2022 at about 0730 hr, FRANCIS and others moved from Room 410 down to the Pool Room of the hotel to continue their party. Officers noted alcohol bottles on a table in the pool room. Initial information was that TEIRRA SHANGIN reported that she and the subject that had been identified as "JAKOTA" took an Uber from [REDACTED] to the [REDACTED] earlier that morning and arrived there at about 0730 hr. Witnesses indicated that TEIRRA SHANGIN was the only one on scene that knew JAKOTA. Later interviews revealed that TEIRRA SHANGIN came alone to the [REDACTED] and that "JAKOTA" arrived in a white sedan.

Witnesses reported that the group congregated in the Pool Room for about one hour before JAKOTA produced a handgun and shot JULIAN FRANCIS in the chest. It is unclear at this time what provoked the attack. JAKOTA fled the scene through the east side Pool Room door and then fled northbound from the hotel.

9. I returned to the APD Homicide Office and spoke with Sgt. Cross, who advised that Ofc. Wallace had reviewed the security footage from the [REDACTED] and made some observations. He stated that the exterior video on the north side of the building showed a subject fitting the description of the suspect, exit the north side exterior door and get into an older white sedan with body damage and AK License Plate [REDACTED].

An APSIN check on AK License Plate [REDACTED] showed that it came back to a white 2013 Toyota Corolla registered to BRENT AVERY SMITH. Det. Clark pulled the Watchguard audio from a prior police contact with SMITH and SMITH is recorded saying that his mother is in the military. Det. Clark contacted the Ft Richardson Police Department and requested a copy of SMITH'S military identification card. SMITH'S ID photograph is very consistent with the still photographs that were taken from hotel video.

10. On 4/9/2022 at about 1826 hr, Det. Baker and Det. Roberts were driving around the area of [REDACTED], on [REDACTED] and located a white 2013 Toyota Corolla with License Plate JTP642 parked in front [REDACTED]. Sgt. Cross called in the Investigative Support Unit to assist with surveillance on that residence.

On 4/9/2022 at about 1950 hr, Sgt. Stanfield advised that BRENT SMITH had been taken into custody and had identified himself as BRENT SMITH. Sgt. Stanfield went on to say that SMITH had been stopped with PRESLEIGH OLSEN in a white 2017 Ford Fusion leaving [REDACTED]

Sgt. Stanfield reported that Ofc. B. Johnson saw BRENT SMITH physically come out of [REDACTED] and get into the vehicle. He advised that both vehicles, the white 2013 Toyota Corolla with License Plate JTP642 and the white 2017 Ford Fusion with License Plate [REDACTED] were both impounded pending search warrant. The white 2017 Ford Fusion with License Plate [REDACTED] was registered to JOHN OLSEN and PRESLEIGH OLSEN.

11. Multiple witnesses to the homicide at the [REDACTED] on 4/9/2022 were transported to the APD HQ shortly after the shooting. Several witnesses were interviewed and shown the still image of the subject that was seen fleeing the area after JULIAN FRANCIS JR was shot. Three of the witnesses stated that the subject in the photograph was the same subject that they saw point a gun at FRANCIS and shoot him.

12. THERESA MAESTES identified herself as BRENT SMITH'S girlfriend. Det. Clark showed MAESTES a still photograph from the [REDACTED] surveillance video. MAESTES identified the man as her boyfriend. The surveillance video still photograph is the same photograph shown to the hotel witnesses who identified the man in the photograph as the man who shot FRANCIS.

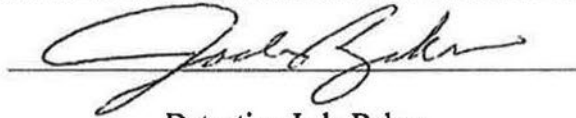
BAIL INFORMATION

According to the Alaska Public Safety Information Network, Brent Avery Smith (DOB 6/13/1999) has no criminal convictions.

REQUEST OF THE COURT

The affiant respectfully requests that the court issue an Arrest Warrant for Brent Avery Smith (DOB 6/13/1999) for one count (1) of Murder in the First Degree, AS 11.41.100(a)(1)(A) and one count (1) of Murder in the Second Degree, AS 11.41.110(a)(1).

FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT,



Detective Jade Baker
Anchorage Police Department

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to affirm before me this ___/___/___

MAGISTRATE / DISTRICT SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE

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AT Anchorage
(City or town where the court is located)

Det. Jade Baker)
Plaintiff/Petitioner,)
v.)
) Case No. 3AN-22- 2607 CR
)
Defendant/Respondent.)
)

**SELF-CERTIFICATION
(NO NOTARY AVAILABLE)**

[If a notary public or other person with the power to take oaths is not available to notarize a document that you are filing with the court, you may fill out this form and attach it to your document.]

As allowed by AS 09.63.020, I, (Name) Det. Jade Baker, certify under penalty of perjury that the following is true:


1. I am attaching this *Self-Certification* to the following attached document:

If the attached document is required to be served on another party, I have attached a copy of this *Self-Certification* to the document when I served it.

2. No notary public or other person with the power to take oaths is available to watch me sign because:

- I live somewhere with no available notary public or other person who can take oaths.
 I cannot access the courthouse or private notary for medical reasons including quarantine.
 APD after hours does not have notaries available for processing.

3. I told the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief in the attached document.

Signature: 
Signed on: (date) 04/09/2022 at: (city) Anchorage, (state) AK
Mailing Address: 716 W 4th Ave
Cell Phone: 764-6049 Work Phone: 786-8530
Home Phone: _____ Email*: jade.baker@anchorageak.gov

* I authorize the court to email me court documents in this case to the email address above.