

East Baton Rouge Sheriff Office

Report Number:

23-001075

Probable Cause Form

Incident Date:

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Arrest Date: 01/06/2023 10:00 PM

Court Date: Upon Notice

Arrest Location: 25152 Kendalwood Rd, Baton Rouge LA 70817



ERICK LOPEZ

DOB: 08/17/2002 R / S: H/M DLN: 012218144

Hair:

Black

5' 6"

Eyes: Brown SID: 11218144

Height:

Weight: 180.00

SSN:

Location: 25071 KENDALWOOD RD, BATON ROUGE LA 70817

Phone:

(225) 324 2821

Email:

Place of Birth:

n/a LA

Officer Data Number

Court Day

Location: 25152 Kendalwood Rd Baton Rouge LA 70817

Officer Name

S2320

Markus Sylvester

Charge:

14:32-Negligent Homicide

Court:

Status:

Complete

Count: 1

Arrest Charge Type: 01 - PROBABLE CAUSE

Court Date:

Upon Notice

Offense Date: 01/06/2023

Warrant #:

Fugitive From:

Fugitive Comments:

Remarks:

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Synopsis of Probable Cause:

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The Affiant wishes to inform the Court that the Accused (Erick Lopez H/M 08-17-2002) did knowingly and willingly violate the listed Statutes within the State of Louisiana, Parish of East Baton Rouge, specifically at the location of 25071 Kendalwood Road, when he failed to confine or restrain his dog, which unlawfully entered a neighboring property and attacked a 7-year-old female Victim, causing her death.

On Friday, January 6th, 2023, at approximately 1730 hours, EBRSO Homicide Detectives were summoned to 25148 Kendalwood Road to investigate the death of a 7-year-old juvenile victim. Communications informed that the Victim was attacked by a pit-bull terrier dog and transported to a local hospital, where she succumbed to her injuries.

During the course of this investigation, the Affiant learned that the Victim was playing outside of a relative's residence when a neighbor's dog (determined to be a pit-bull terrier) viciously attacked her, causing significant injuries. The relative attempted to intervene and stop the attack by striking the dog with a walking cane; however, the dog continued to maul the Victim in the front yard. According to the medical staff at the local hospital, the Victim sustained numerous dog bites to her face and substantial damage to her skull, ultimately resulting in her death.

Responding EBRSO Uniform Patrol Deputies, along with East Baton Rouge Animal Control Officers, located and captured the unrestrained pit-bull terrier. The pit-bull terrier was observed with blood around his face and mouth area. Once captured, the pit-bull terrier was taken into the custody of EBR Animal Control Officers. The Affiant observed a substantial amount of blood in the yard where the Victim was attacked. Additionally, the Affiant learned the attack occurred on the victim's property, which is approximately 150 yards from where the dog owner resides. There was no fence or other barrier confining the dog to the property where its owner resides.

During the Post-Miranda interview with the Accused (owner of the dog), he advised that he was not present during the attack. The Accused further admitted that his dog was unrestrained when he departed the residence and would often roam the neighboring (where the Victim was attacked) property.

The Accused was arrested for violating L.R.S 14: 32, Titled, Negligent Homicide, and booked into the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison Accordingly.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this	6th	day of <u>Januaru</u> ,20	23

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