



Agency ORI Number
FL0530000

Polk County

Winter Haven, FL

INCIDENT NUMBER
200043476

CO-DEFENDANT:

Codefendant: **EUBANK,HANNAH CHEREI**

VICTIM/WITNESS:

Victim:	PENTON,SUZETTE	W/F 7811 BERKLEY RD	POLK CITY	FL	33868	N/A	5/20/68
Victim:	PENTON,HUNTER	W/M 7811 BERKLEY RD	POLK CITY	FL	33868	(863)514-3382	9/18/03
Witness	SMITH,EDNA PIKER	2146 HELWYN RD	AUBURNDALE	FL	33823	(863)808-8210	02/16/64
Witness	SMITH,BILLY PATRICK SR	2146 HELWYN RD	AUBURNDALE	FL	33823	(863)808-8210	10/06/61
Witness	GOOLSBY,JEFF FRANKLIN	4599 ROUNDUP DR	POLK CITY	FL	33868	(863)221-1213	08/30/72
Witness	PENTON,AUSTIN	7811 BERKLEY RD	POLK CITY	FL	33868	(863)514-4037	12/18/05

PROBABLE CAUSE:

On November 9, 2020, I was requested to respond to Berkley Rd at Citrus Grove Blvd in reference to conducting follow-up investigation regarding an occupied burglary and attempted murder call. Upon my arrival, I made contact with the victim, Hunter Penton. He advised, he was inside of his residence and heard a knocking at the front door. However, they do not use that door, so he went to the side door to see who it was. At that time, he observed his ex-girlfriend's new boyfriend, Elijah Stansell, along with two other subjects in his front yard. One of the subjects he recognized as a classmate, Hannah Eubanks. He did not recognize the other male subject. Upon exiting his residence, Stansell quickly approached him, entered into the attached carport area, and began battering him. During that physical attack, Hunter attempted to flee back into his residence and was followed by Stansell who continued to batter him. Then, both Eubanks and the unknown male subject entered the residence. Eubanks appeared to be filming the incident with her cellular telephone. The male subject (later identified as Raven Sutton) joined Stansell in the physical attack. At that time, Suzette Penton arrived in her vehicle, along with her younger son, Austin Penton. The three suspects fled the scene on foot.

During continued investigation, Austin was interviewed. He advised, when he and Suzette arrived at the residence, they observed the three suspects fleeing the scene on foot. Penton followed the fleeing suspect to a van parked across the street from her residence. The suspect entered the vehicle and Penton was standing in the roadway in front of the vehicle. Penton was using her cellular telephone to take photographs of the suspects and suspect vehicle. As she was taking pictures, the vehicle accelerated quickly. Though there was enough room between the vehicle and Penton to maneuver around her, the driver intentionally ran into, and over, her before fleeing southbound on Berkley Rd.

Three eye-witnesses, Edna Smith, Billy Smith Sr., and Jeff Goolsby provided me sworn recorded interviews. All witnesses gave consistent accounts of this incident and each advised, that it was clear as the suspect vehicle fled there was no intent to maneuver around the victim, but instead all were adamant that the driver of the fleeing vehicle was malicious in his actions.

The incident location is equipped with surveillance cameras. The recovered footage shows the suspect entering the enclosed curtilage of the incident location and approach the front door. Then, it shows the three of them going into the attached carport and Stansell physically attacking Hunter. The footage from inside the residence shows the continued attack inside the residence, along with the other two subjects entering and participating in the burglary. Then, the footage shows Penton arriving in her vehicle, the subjects fleeing on foot, and her following them. Also, the footage shows the fleeing vehicle impacting and running over Penton.

Detective Marshall responded to Berkley Rd and Denton Rd, where the suspect vehicle had been stopped by deputies and Auburndale Police Department officers. Detective Marshall made contact with the four occupant of the vehicle, Stansell, Sutton, Eubanks, and Kimberly Stone. Post Miranda, they admitted to going to the incident location to confront Hunter. They alleged, a physical fight occurred in the yard between Stansell and Hunter. Then, "somehow" they "fell into the residence". Upon the arrival of Penton, they fled on foot. They each admitted to fleeing in the vehicle with the knowledge that the vehicle had impacted and ran over Penton.

Prior to the arrival of detectives on scene, Penton was transported to Lakeland Regional Health Medical Center

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(LRHMC). According to the staff at LRHMC, she had sustained traumatic brain injury involving a skull fracture and severe brain bleeding, a broken leg, a ligament injury to her left knee, and she was aspirating fluid in her lungs. She was admitted to the trauma intensive care unit. She remains unresponsive and intubated. She is listed in severely critical condition.

During investigation, it was determined; Stone and Hunter had dated and recently broken up. After the breakup, the have both engaged in ongoing verbal disputes. In response, Stone sent written threats via social media to "hit" Hunter. Also, she threatened to have her new boyfriend, "handle it".

Given the findings of this investigation, it was determined; the four suspects conspired to go to the victim's residence to "handle" the ongoing verbal dispute. In doing so, Stone showed the other three suspects where Hunter lived. She remained in the vehicle, while they went to "handle it" at her direction. The other three suspects entered the fenced curtilage of the residence, entered the attached carport, and ultimately entered the residence with the intent to commit a crime within, specifically the battery of Hunter. During their efforts to flee the scene of this felony, therefore in the course of this felony burglary, an attempt was made to kill a human being by running her over with a motor vehicle. Therefore, all suspects were charged with attempted felony murder and burglary with battery. Additionally, Stansell was charged with three counts of contributing to the delinquency of minors.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, THIS 9 DAY OF November 2020

This affidavit was electronically signed

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