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Stats., a Misdemeanor, and upon conviction may be fined not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), or imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days, or both.

And the Court may suspend the defendant's operating privileges for not less than six (6) months nor more than five (5) years. If the defendant's driving privileges are already suspended, any suspension imposed must be served consecutively.

Complainant is an Assistant District Attorney with the Brown County District Attorney's Office and knows of the above offense(s) on information and belief based upon:

### **PROBABLE CAUSE:**

The complainant, being duly sworn on oath, swears that she has had the opportunity to review the police reports from officers of the Brown County Drug Task Force and the Drug Enforcement Administration, and other documents supporting this complaint referenced herein, which are the types of reports and documents kept in the ordinary course of business, which complainant believes to be truthful and reliable because they have proven to be truthful and reliable on numerous occasions in the past.

The complainant further asserts that based upon her review of the referenced reports and/or supporting documents, the incidents alleged occurred in Brown County, Wisconsin.

1. Your complainant's review of the report of Special Agent Beckman of the Drug Enforcement Administration, which states in part:

On March 7, 2024, surveillance was established in the vicinity of 2080 Verlin Road, in the Village of Bellevue, Brown County, Wisconsin. At approximately 2:47 p.m., N/I Ronsman observed a Hispanic male later identified by Mexico Passport as **Jose Angel HERNANDEZ-PINEDA (M/W 01-27-1982)** exit the common door of 2080 Verlin Road. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA walked towards the 3rd garage door, opened it and got into a red Audi and departed. Surveillance was maintained on the vehicle. DEA SA Patrick Beckman observed the vehicle turn into the parking lot of JBS located at 1330 Lime Kiln Road, in the City of Green Bay, Brown County, Wisconsin. After a short time, N/I Ronsman observed an older Hispanic male walk up to the open driver's window of the Audi. N/I Ronsman saw actions consistent with a hand-to-hand drug transaction, due to the meeting lasting a couple seconds. N/I Ronsman advised that this short term meet was consistent with drug transactions he has observed in the past. N/I Ronsman observed the Hispanic male walk back to a white Dodge pickup truck. Both vehicles departed the parking lot. N/I Ronsman identified the license plate of the Dodge pickup as Wisconsin Passenger plate NU6963.

The vehicle was registered to "Rosa Navarro" at 910 Clayton Place in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Surveillance was maintained on the red Audi. At approximately 3:01 p.m., SA Beckman observed the red Audi pull into Taqueria Maldonado's located at 1737 Main Street in Green Bay. SA Beckman observed the red Audi pull through the drive through and get a large white plastic bag from the drive through window and depart. Surveillance was maintained on the red Audi. At approximately 3:11 p.m., N/I Harvath observed the red Audi pull into the strip mall located at 2201 University Avenue, in Green Bay. N/I Waeghe observed a red haired Hispanic female walk away from the strip mall and to the car and the driver. She received a to-go drink and a small take out bag from the driver. N/I Waeghe observed the female walk back towards

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the strip mall out of sight. The Audi departed. Surveillance was maintained on the Audi. At approximately 3:33 p.m., N/I Harvath observed the red Audi park near the Bay Park Square Mall food court entrance located at 2401 S. Oneida Street, in the Village of Ashwaubenon, Brown County, Wisconsin. SA Beckman observed HERNANDEZ-PINEDA exit the vehicle wearing a white hat, black coat and blue jeans and walk into the food court entrance. N/I Ronsman observed HERNANDEZ-PINEDA in the mall carrying a black Express bag. Shortly after at approximately 3:51 p.m., SA Beckman observed HERNANDEZ-PINEDA walking towards his red Audi, get in and depart.

At approximately 4:11 p.m., the red Audi turned into the parking lot at 2080 Verlin Road and parked in a parking spot facing the building. N/I Waeghe pulled near the red Audi. N/I Waeghe did not activate his emergency lights and consensually approached HERNANDEZ-PINEDA. N/I Waeghe approached the red Audi and HERNANDEZ-PINEDA exited the vehicle before receiving any commands. Upon seeing N/I Waeghe, HERNANDEZ-PINEDA turned away and put his hands on top of his head. N/I Waeghe did not command HERNANDEZ-PINEDA to exit the vehicle or put his hands on his head. N/I Waeghe, wearing a protective vest marked POLICE identified himself as the police and relayed he wanted to speak with HERNANDEZ-PINEDA. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA provided a Mexican consular ID card that identified him as JOSE ANGEL HERNANDEZ-PINEDA. SA Beckman arrived shortly after wearing a protective vest marked POLICE. To conceal the nature of the investigation, SA Beckman and N/I Waeghe did not disclose that the reason for the consensual encounter was due to drug related activity observed that day.

HERNANDEZ-PINEDA provided verbal consent to search his vehicle for anything illegal. N/I Ronsman and Harvath arrived on scene. On the rear passenger floorboard, behind the driver's seat a small corner baggy was located. SA Beckman continued to speak with HERNANDEZ-PINEDA about searching his apartment. Initially HERNANDEZ-PINEDA relayed he did not live there. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA then began to say he did not understand what SA Beckman was saying. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA became extremely nervous and said he needed a translator. SA Beckman contacted DEA TFO Irvin Benitez, who is a native Spanish speaker, via phone. TFO Benitez explained to HERNANDEZ-PINEDA that the police needed to search his apartment. TFO Benitez relayed to SA Beckman that HERNANDEZ-PINEDA said the police could search his apartment for anything illegal. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA walked with SA Beckman and N/I Waeghe to the common door. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA used his key to open the common door. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA walked up the stairs and used his key to open apartment #14 and let investigators in to search his apartment. TFO Benitez relayed that HERNANDEZ-PINEDA said the police could search his apartment.

Once inside, HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was sitting at the counter in his kitchen. TFO Benitez explained the consent to search form to HERNANDEZ-PINEDA. N/I Harvath filled out the consent to search form and HERNANDEZ-PINEDA signed the consent to search form. TFO Benitez relayed that HERNANDEZ-PINEDA understood the form and was willing to consent to the search of his apartment.

2. Your complainant's review of the reports prepared by Narcotics Investigator Ronsman of the Brown County Drug Task Force and the Drug Enforcement Administration, which states in part:

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On Thursday, March 7, 2024, members of the Brown County Drug Task Force and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) conducted a consent search at 2080 Verlin Rd #14, in the Village of Bellevue, in Brown County, Wisconsin. During the search of the residence **2,495.57 grams** of Cocaine, a handgun, and a digital scale was located. Additionally, an undetermined amount of US Currency was located and turned over to DEA.

On Thursday, March 7, 2024, DEA SA Pat Beckman contacted members of the Brown County Drug Task Force and requested assistance with a drug investigation. SA Beckman requested assistance with surveillance of **JOSE ANGEL HERNANDEZ-PINEDA M/H DOB: 1-27-1982** who was known to live at 2080 Verlin Rd #14, in the Village of Bellevue, in Brown County, Wisconsin. SA Beckman informed investigators that HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was driving a 2012 Audi A4 sedan with Wisconsin Registration ATH-1253 registered to YAR-R at \*\*\*\* Edison St, in the City of Green Bay, in Brown County, Wisconsin.

At 4:32 PM, HERNANDEZ-PINEDA led investigators to apartment #14. Upon entry into the apartment is a connected kitchen and living room area. Past the living room is a bathroom and a master bedroom. Both the master bedroom and the bathroom had closets. Once inside HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was sitting at the counter in his kitchen. DEA TFO Benitez explained the consent to search form to HERNANDEZ-PINEDA. N/I Harvath filled out the consent to search form and HERNANDEZ-PINEDA signed the consent to search form. Via phone, TFO Benitez relayed that HERNANDEZ-PINEDA understood the form and was willing to consent to the search of his apartment. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA advised that he was the only person who lived in the apartment.

SA Beckman walked into the bathroom and observed a black box on the top shelf. SA Beckman opened the box and observed numerous individually packaged bags of a white powdery substance, which appeared to be cocaine. SA Beckman showed HERNANDEZ-PINEDA the suspected cocaine. TFO Benitez told HERNANDEZ-PINEDA to show investigators where the rest of the drugs were. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA led N/I Harvath and SA Beckman to the bathroom closet and pulled out a red duffel bag. SA Beckman opened the duffel bag and observed two black brick-shaped objects, which he recognized as packaging suspected to contain two kilos of cocaine. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA stated that all the drugs were cocaine. SA Beckman asked HERNANDEZ-PINEDA if there was money in the apartment. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA led SA Beckman to the master bedroom and showed SA Beckman a stack of an undetermined amount of US Currency banded together. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA also informed investigators there was a gun in the bathroom and led N/I Harvath and I to the bathroom closet and pointed to a blue box and a black box. I observed a Glock handgun, magazines, and ammunition in these boxes.

During the search of the residence, I acted as evidence custodian. When an item of evidentiary value was located, it was turned over to me. I maintained custody of the items until I was able to process and secure the items into an evidence locker at the Brown County Drug Task Force.

#### **EVIDENCE:**

#### **ON HERNANDEZ-PINEDA**

EXHIBIT #1: BLACK SAMSUNG CELLPHONE WITH IMEI #359147525873515

EXHIBIT #58: UNDETERMINED AMOUNT OF US CURRENCY TURNED OVER TO DEA

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**DRIVER'S DOOR OF ATH-1253**

EXHIBIT #2: BLACK APPLE IPHONE WITH BLACK CASE

**2080 VERLIN RD #14**

**MASTER BEDROOM IN LONG DRESSER:**

EXHIBIT #3: UNDETERMINED AMOUNT OF US CURRENCY TURNED OVER TO DEA  
(Located by SA Beckman)

EXHIBIT #4: MONEY TRANSFER RECEIPTS (Located by N/I Harvath)

**MASTER BEDROOM IN TALL DRESSER: (Located by N/I Linsmeyer)**

EXHIBIT #5: MONEY TRANSFER RECEIPTS

**MASTER BEDROOM NIGHTSTAND: (Located by N/I Smith)**

EXHIBIT #6: SAMSUNG SMARTPHONE WTH CRACKED SCREEN AND IMEI #  
351966620968823

EXHIBIT #59: MONEY TRANSFER RECEIPT

**BATHROOM CLOSET: (Located By SA Beckman)**

EXHIBIT #7: PACKAGING WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #8

EXHIBIT #8: **1,007.3 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE IN BRICK FORM,  
WHICH FIELD TESTED POSITIVE FOR COCAINE

EXHIBIT #9: PACKAGING WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #10

EXHIBIT #10: **1,005.4 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE IN BRICK FORM  
WHICH FIELD TESTED POSITIVE FOR COCAINE

EXHIBIT #11: CLEAR PLASTIC ZIPTOP BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBITS #12-43

EXHIBIT #12: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #13

EXHIBIT #13: **27.85 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE WHICH FIELD TESTED  
POSITIVE FOR COCAINE HCL

EXHIBIT #14: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT # 15

EXHIBIT #15: **27.7 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN ODOR  
AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL

EXHIBIT #16: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT # 17

EXHIBIT #17: **27.92 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN  
ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL

EXHIBIT #18: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #19

EXHIBIT #19: **27.45 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN  
ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCCAINE HCL

EXHIBIT #20: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #21

EXHIBIT #21: **27.76 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN  
ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL

EXHIBIT #22: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #23

EXHIBIT #23: **27.92 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN  
ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCCAINE HCL

EXHIBIT #24: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #25

EXHIBIT #25: **27.93 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN  
ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL

EXHIBIT #26: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #27

EXHIBIT #27: **27.64 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN  
ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL

EXHIBIT #28: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #29

EXHIBIT #29: **28.49 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN  
ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL

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EXHIBIT #30: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #31  
EXHIBIT #31: **27.9 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #32: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #33  
EXHIBIT #33: **27.95 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #34: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #35  
EXHIBIT #35: **27.85 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #36: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #37  
EXHIBIT #37: **27.54 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #38: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #39  
EXHIBIT #39: **27.89 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #40: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #41  
EXHIBIT #41: **27.8 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #42: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #43  
EXHIBIT #43: **27.91 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE CONSISTENT IN ODOR AND APPEARANCE WITH COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #44: BLUE IN COLOR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBITS #45-48  
EXHIBIT #45: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #46  
EXHIBIT #46: **26.62 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE WHICH FIELD TESTED POSITIVE FOR COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #47: CLEAR PLASTIC BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #48  
EXHIBIT #48: **10.38 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE WHICH FIELD TESTED POSITIVE FOR COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #49: CLEAR PLASTIC CORNER BAG WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #50  
EXHIBIT #50: **0.37 GRAMS** OF A WHITE POWDERY SUBSTANCE WHICH FIELD TESTED POSITIVE FOR COCAINE HCL  
EXHIBIT #51: BLACK FUNCTIONING DIGITAL SCALE WITH WHITE POWDERY RESIDUE ON IT

**Following Located in Bathroom Closet By N/I Ronsman**

EXHIBIT #52: BLACK GLOCK 22C .40 CAL HANDGUN WITH MAGAZINE (SERIAL #DAB942)  
EXHIBIT #54: 50 WINCHESTER .40 CAL ROUNDS  
EXHIBIT #55: 2 GLOCK .40 CAL MAGAZINES WHICH CONTAINED EXHIBIT #56  
EXHIBIT #56: 25 WINCHESTER .40 CAL ROUNDS (15 ROUNDS IN ONE MAGAZINE / 10 ROUNDS IN SECOND MAGAZINE)  
EXHIBIT #57: 24 WINCHESTER .40 CAL ROUNDS

**FIELD TESTS:**

I tested the white powdery substances located in Exhibits # 8, 10, 13, 46, 48 and 50 using the TruNarc device. The substance in the exhibits tested **positive for Cocaine HCL**.

**POSSESSION WITH INTENT COCAINE:**

I, Nicholas Ronsman, have been a deputy for the Brown County Sheriff's Office since January of 2017. I have been assigned to the Brown County Drug Task Force since January of 2022 as

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a Narcotics Investigator. I am also a sworn Task Force Officer with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). I have received on the job and formal training in drug identification, evidence collection, video/visual surveillance, search warrant execution and more. I have been involved in numerous investigations pertaining to the distribution of controlled substance and am familiar with factors which are indicative of distribution such as drug amounts, packaging materials, digital scales, electronics, and large sums of US Currency.

Based on my training and experience, the Cocaine, located inside HERNANDEZ-PINEDA's apartment was possessed with the intent to deliver due to the following reasons:

- The amount of cocaine (**2,495.57 grams or 2.5 kilos**) is an amount consistent with distribution, not personal use.
- The presence of a digital scale with white powdery residue on it, near the cocaine. Drug traffickers commonly carry a digital scale with them for when someone orders, in this case cocaine, they are able to provide the amount requested.
- HERNANDEZ-PINEDA informed investigators that he sells cocaine by the kilo or in ounce quantities. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA estimated he sold 10+ kilos of cocaine in the Brown County area in the past 6 months.
- An ounce (approximately 28 grams) of cocaine in Brown County can be sold for around \$1,400 depending on the source. If sold in ounce quantities, the cocaine located in the apartment is worth approximately \$124,750.

Investigators left the apartment at approximately 5:15 PM. After the interview was completed, HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was taken to the Brown County Jail.

#### **NEAR CERTAIN PLACES:**

I utilized BrownDog GIS Mapping to check the distance between 2080 Verlin Rd and Willow Creek Park. I observed that the distance between the two is approximately **967 Feet**. A screenshot of the mapping system has been attached to the case.

3. Your complainant's review of the report prepared by Narcotics Investigator Harvath of the Brown County Drug Task Force, which states in part:

I, Narcotics Investigator (N/I) Harvath and DEA Special Agent (SA) Beckman, made contact with **HERNANDEZ-PINEDA** in an interview room. We had previously identified ourselves as law enforcement investigators. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA's primary language was Spanish so BCSO Deputy D. Cruz translated the interview. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was read his Miranda Rights from a standard Miranda Rights form. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA did not invoke his rights and answered subsequent questions.

HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was in Chicago to see his niece earlier in the day. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA did not do anything else in Chicago, but without being questioned or prompted HERNANDEZ-PINEDA told investigators he got a phone call from Mexico about drugs. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was deceptive about his involvement and the details around the 2.5 - 3 kilograms of cocaine located in HERNANDEZ-PINEDA's apartment. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA received 3 kilograms of cocaine and had sold multiple ounces; the remainder was in HERNANDEZ-PINEDA's apartment and seized by investigators.

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HERNANDEZ-PINEDA has sold cocaine the past several months. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA buys cocaine by the kilogram in multiple kilogram quantities, he pays \$18,500 per kilogram, and then sells it by the kilogram or ounce. **HERNANDEZ-PINEDA alluded to his profits being modest and still owing \$70,000 for cocaine he had. Later in the interview, HERNANDEZ-PINEDA indicated he has priced his kilograms for sale as low as \$19,000.**

HERNANDEZ-PINEDA last had a job “a long time ago.” HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was in possession of multiple thousands of dollars and has no known means to make money besides selling cocaine and HERNANDEZ-PINEDA acknowledged this conclusion. **By HERNANDEZ-PINEDA’s estimates, he sold 10+ kilograms of cocaine in the Brown County area within the past 6 months.**

HERNANDEZ-PINEDA had an outstanding extradition warrant. I spoke with Dispatch, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and at the time of this report’s writing, the confirmation of that warrant is pending. HERNANDEZ-PINEDA was identified by Mexican ID card and BCSO Sergeant Lemburger confirmed HERNANDEZ-PINEDA’s identify via Fast ID. Deputy D. Cruz’s BCSO incident number associated with this investigation is 24-007516. Deputy D. Cruz transported HERNANDEZ-PINEDA to the Brown County Jail and jailed him on applicable charges in addition to the warrant, pending ICE’s confirmation.

Based on the foregoing, the complainant believes this complaint to be true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on  
03/08/24

Electronically Signed By:

Meranda J Hillmann

Assistant District Attorney

State Bar #: 1102495

Electronically Signed By:

Maggie R Crawford

Complainant