

GO # 2017-554409

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DEFENDANT			
Last Name PIERRE	First Name ARMANI	Middle	DOB 3/22/89
Arrested with			
Location of Arrest 1331 CHEROKEE STREET		Arrest Date 2/14/18	Arrest Time 2:45 PM

OFFICER MAKING STATEMENT			
Last Name MARTINEZ	First Name MICHAEL	Middle	Serial No. 82029

COMPLETE THIS SECTION FOR ORIGINAL PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENTS AND ALL AFFIDAVITS FOR ARREST WARRANT
 I am a police officer for the City and County of Denver, Colorado, and have knowledge regarding the arrest/incident of the above named party for the below listed offense, which offense occurred on or about the date of 8/20/17 at 12:18 am pm at or near the location of 5000 block of Titan Court in the City and County of Denver, State of Colorado.

VIOLATION(S)	DESCRIPTION
18-3-102	MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE
18-3-102 b	FELONY MURDER

Statement of Probable Cause Affidavit for Arrest Warrant

Your Affiant, Detective Michael Martinez, 82029, a member of the Denver Police Department, currently assigned to the Homicide Unit, was assigned to investigate the shooting death of Joshua HUGHES 11/17/1990.

On Sunday morning, August 20th, 2017, at approximately 12:18 am, Denver 911 received calls of a shooting in the area of [redacted] N. Titan Court, in Denver. Officers arrived on the scene and found a male, later identified as Joshua HUGHES 11/17/1990, lying in the street with multiple gunshot wounds. Ambulance #76, with Paramedic Donald O'MEARA, responded to the scene and transported Joshua HUGHES to Denver Health Medical Center.

At approximately 3:31 am, Mr. HUGHES was pronounced dead by Dr. WHITE, from Denver Health Medical Center.

Witness, [redacted] [redacted] 1978, related she had surveillance cameras around her residence at [redacted] Way. Ms. [redacted] related she and her husband, [redacted] got home minutes before the shooting. Ms. [redacted] related a white male had come up to her husband and asked him about an address. Ms. [redacted] related she and her husband were inside the house when they heard shots. Ms. [redacted] related detectives had her permission to download the video.

Denver Crime Lab Imaging Personnel Mike BUSH, B06068, responded to the scene to download the video from [redacted] Tucson Way. Video showed a male approaching Mr. [redacted] and then walking away. The video then showed a total of 4 people on the corner, which was later identified as Joshua HUGHES [redacted] 1975, and 2 suspects. The video showed all 4 parties walking out of view of the camera. The video then showed Joshua HUGHES being walked back to his van with a suspect right on him. When Joshua HUGHES and 1 suspect are out of view, the video then shows the second suspect walking in the direction of where HUGHES and 1 suspect had walked out of view. The second suspect is seen raising an arm and pointing what appears to be a handgun. The video did not capture the victim's van or the shooting of the victim.

Witness, [REDACTED] was interviewed at Denver Police Headquarters. Mr. [REDACTED] related that Joshua HUGHES came to Denver with the intention of purchasing marijuana and taking it back to Montana. Mr. [REDACTED] related Joshua wanted to buy 2 pounds of marijuana with the \$3,000.00. Mr. [REDACTED] related this deal was set up on a website called Commerce City Kush Club, a website where marijuana could be bought and sold. Mr. [REDACTED] it was posted on the website, 2P for 3K. Mr. [REDACTED] related on Saturday night (August 19th) someone with a Facebook user name of "Marcus BILES", answered the add and wanted to make the deal. Mr. [REDACTED] related he agreed to go with Joshua. Mr. [REDACTED] related they were using [REDACTED]'s computer at the time. Mr. [REDACTED] related they communicated back and forth with seller "Marcus BILES", via Facebook messenger. Mr. [REDACTED] related they were given the address of [REDACTED] Titan Court. Mr. [REDACTED] related when they arrived at the location they did not find an address of [REDACTED] Titan Court and ended up parking in front of [REDACTED] Titan Court. Mr. [REDACTED] related they were in Joshua's white company van. Mr. [REDACTED] related they continued communicating with "Marcus BILES" via Facebook messenger. Mr. [REDACTED] related it did not take long when two Black males approached them on foot from the south. Mr. [REDACTED] related the four of them walked northbound on Titan Court and got away from the street light. Mr. [REDACTED] related one of the males produced a handgun and pointed the gun at Joshua's head. Mr. [REDACTED] related another male appeared to be pulling out a handgun, at which time Mr. [REDACTED] claimed he attempted to punch the male and then fled on foot. Mr. [REDACTED] claimed he heard one of the male's yell at Joshua something like, "Where's the money" as he was fleeing. Mr. [REDACTED] related as he was hiding in a backyard he heard gunshots.

On August 21st, 2017, Detective TREGEMBO began searching Facebook for the name "Marcus Biles". No account was located under "Marcus Biles", but an account under the profile name "Biles Marcus" was located.

On August 29th, 2017, Detective TREGEMBO obtained a Search Warrant for Facebook Inc. to identify the Facebook user "Biles Marcus". It was also requested that all communication of Facebook user "Biles Marcus" from January 1st, 2017 thru August 29th, 2017.

A review of Internal Denver Police Department records identified Armani PIERRE 03/22/1999, living at 4764 Blackhawk Way, In Denver. Colorado Department of Motor Vehicle also listed Armani PIERRE's address as 4764 Blackhawk Way.

On September 26th, 2017, Detective TREGEMBO received the requested information back from Facebook on the "Biles Marcus" account. Included in this information were messages from Facebook user [REDACTED] to "Biles Marcus" dated August 20th, 2017, at 03:10:54 UTC (which converts to August 19th, 2017, at 9:10:54 p.m. MST). Messages confirm that Facebook user [REDACTED] posted a message about wanting to purchase two pounds of marijuana, which was consistent with the information obtained from [REDACTED]. Facebook records also confirmed the "Biles Marcus" account was used as a means of communication with Joshua [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to meet to purchase the marijuana, which ended up with the homicide death of Joshua HUGHES.

On Wednesday, February 14th, 2018, at approximately 1:57 pm, Detective MARTINEZ interviewed Armani PIERRE 03/22/1999, at Denver Police Headquarters. PIERRE had been arrested by Denver Police on another matter. PIERRE was advised of his rights and agreed to talk. PIERRE admitted he had set up this marijuana deal under the name Biles Marcus with the Commerce City Kush Club. PIERRE admitted he only set up the deal and that Kylevito GARRETTE and Quincy WILKERSON carried it out. PIERRE admitted that Kylevito and Quincy later told him that the deal went bad, that the victim tried to rob them and that both of them (Kylevito and Quincy) shot the victim in self defense. PIERRE admitted he was supposed to get 100 or 200 dollars for setting up

the deal. PIERRE claimed he was on crutches during this time and was there when the deal went down. PIERRE related he later learned the victim had died.

I affirm this information to be true and correct

Subscribed under oath before me on

[Signature] 82029
Signature of Affiant
02/14/2018
Date
3:30 PM
Time

Judge or Notary Public

My commission expires

ARREST WARRANT

To all Sheriffs, Peace Officers and Police Officers with the said State:

ADULT—You are hereby commanded to arrest the defendant named above and bring them without unnecessary delay before a Judge of the County Court to be dealt with according to law.

JUVENILE—You are hereby commanded to arrest the defendant named above, summons into court, process and release said defendant to appear before the court.

Bail fixed at \$ _____

Date _____

Signature of Judge

Printed name of Judge

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I executed the above warrant on (date) _____ by taking _____

_____ (name of person arrested) into custody and placing said person in the _____ Jail for safekeeping until further order of the court. Signature of Arresting Officer _____