

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Carver District COURT

RECEIPT, INVENTORY AND RETURN

I, Detective Christina Wagner, received the attached search warrant issued by the Honorable Eric Braaten, on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (yr) and have executed it as follows:

Pursuant to said warrant, on September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (yr) at 8:30 o'clock a m., I searched the (premises) (motor vehicle) (person) described in said warrant, and left a true and correct copy of said warrant.

(with) (in) (at) Google legal investigations support @ gmail  
1600 Amy Williams parkway, Mantah New, CA 94043

I took into custody the property and things listed below: (attach and identify additional sheet if necessary)

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Strike when appropriate:

- I left a receipt for the property and things listed above with a copy of the warrant.
- None of the items set forth in the search warrant were found.
- I shall retain or (deliver) custody of said property as directed by Court order.

I, [Signature], being first duly sworn, upon oath, depose and say that I have read the foregoing receipt, inventory and return and the matters stated are true and correct, except as to such matters stated therein on information and belief, and as to those, I believe them to be true.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of Sept, 2016 (yr)

[Signature]  
Notary Public County, MN

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_  
[Signature]  
Signature

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF CARVER

DISTRICT COURT

STATE OF MINNESOTA )

APPLICATION FOR SEARCH WARRANT AND

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SUPPORTING AFFIDAVIT.

COUNTY OF CARVER

**Detective Christina Wagner**, being duly sworn upon oath, hereby makes application to this Court for a warrant to search the Premises, hereinafter described, for the property and things hereinafter described.

Affiant knows the contents of this application and supporting affidavit, and the statements herein are true of his/her own knowledge, save as to such as are herein stated on information and belief, and as to those, he/she believes them to be true.

Affiant has good reason to believe, and does believe, that the following described property and things, to wit:

**All data maintained by Google, Inc. pertaining to the GMAIL account identified as: Paisleyparkafterdark@gmail.com, To include but not limited to contents of all the communications stored in the Gmail account, including emails stored in the inbox, starred, important, sent, drafts, trash and notes folder to include photographic images/movies/video. Including All records, files and contents of Gmail, Google Docs, Google Drive, Google calendar, location history, Google Chrome Sync, Google Services, Google Maps engine, Google Hangouts, Google Photos, Google+, Google profile, web history and plus one.**

**All records or other information regarding the identification of the account holder including name, address, telephone number and any log in IP address used. All records of session times and durations, the date the account was created, the length of service, the account status, alternative email addresses linked or associated with the account and log files. All records pertaining to communications with Gmail and any other person who has contacted Google regarding the account and actions taken.**

are at the premises, described as:

**Google Legal Investigations Support  
Re: GMAIL  
1600 Amphitheatre Parkway  
Mountain View, CA 94043**

located in the City of Mountain View, County of Santa Clara, and State of California.

This affiant applies for issuance of a search warrant upon the following grounds:

**- The property above-described constitutes evidence which tends to show a crime has been committed, or tends to show that a particular person has committed a crime.**

The facts tending to establish the foregoing grounds for issuance of a search warrant are as follows:

Your Affiant, Detective Christina Wagner is a licensed Peace Officer with the State of Minnesota and has been employed by the Carver County Sheriff's Office for the past 16 years. Your affiant is currently assigned to the Criminal Investigations Division where she has served for the past 8 years. During that time, Your affiant has attended numerous law enforcement trainings related to criminal investigations. Your affiant has also investigated cases of homicide, aggravated assault, robbery, sexual assault, burglary, theft, and drug related cases including overdose death investigations among others. As part of her assignment, Your affiant obtained the following information;

On April 21, 2016 at 0943 hrs., Carver County Sheriff Deputies were dispatched to Paisley Park Studios, 7801 Audubon Road in Chanhassen for a medical where a person was found in an elevator and not breathing. Deputies responded to the scene and located the party, identified as Prince Rogers Nelson dob/06-07-1958. Prince was unresponsive and pronounced deceased at the scene. He was 57 years old.

Your Affiant was made aware by witnesses that were interviewed at the scene, that Prince recently had a history of going through withdrawals, which are believed to be the result of the abuse of prescription medication.

Further, Your Affiant received information from interviews conducted, that Prince's assistants had arranged a meeting between Prince and medical professionals to assess and address Prince's medical concerns. Your affiant learned that Prince had "passed out" during a flight from Atlanta, Ga to Minneapolis on Thursday 04-14-16 into Friday 04-15-16 after a concert in Atlanta. Prince's private jet made an emergency stop at the Quad International Airport in Moline, Il. According to one of the witnesses interviewed, Prince admitted to taking 1-2 "pain pills".

Because of the information received regarding Prince's recent drug overdose and facts surrounding the unwitnessed death of Prince Rogers Nelson, A search warrant was obtained and executed on 04-21-16 at 1428 hours to search the residence of Prince Rogers Nelson.

During the search warrant of Prince's home, detectives located numerous narcotic controlled substance pills in various containers and areas of Prince's bedroom, some of which were in a suitcase with the name tag of "Peter Bravestrong". Inside that suitcase were several prescription bottles in the name of Kirk Johnson, Prince's bodyguard. Your affiant believed "Peter Bravestrong" could have been an alias name for Prince that he would use when he would travel. Your affiant also noted the lyrics for the song "U got the look" were also in that same suitcase and appeared to be in Prince's handwriting. During that same search of the bedroom, detectives also observed a silver Apple laptop computer. The computer at the time was not collected as it was not listed on the warrant and the significance of the computer did not become important until after we cleared the scene.

Detectives later learned through speaking with several associates that Prince did not use a cellphone and would communicate through email and his landline phone, which made the silver Apple lap top computer observed in Prince's bedroom a valuable item of evidence.

Based on the potential evidence which could be located on Prince's computer in regards to the death investigation, your affiant obtained a search warrant by the honorable Carver County Judge Janet Cain on 04-25-16 granting permission to seize and conduct an examination of the silver Apple laptop computer which was observed in Prince's bedroom the day of his death and to have the said computer examined by a qualified forensic computer examiner.

On 04-26-16, Sgt. Dewitt Meier and I responded to Paisley Park where we met with Attorney Gary Hansen who had been appointed to take care of Prince's affairs after his death. During our conversation with Attorney Hansen, he also confirmed that Prince did not have a cell phone and communicated via email. Attorney Hansen provided consent for the Sherriff's Office to take custody of the silver Apple laptop computer in lieu of executing the search warrant for examination and advised the computer was moved from Prince's bedroom to an office on the first floor. Shortly before 1700 hours, Your affiant collected Prince's Silver Apple Mac lap top computer model A1466 and SN#C02NJ1VQ65RQ from an office on the first floor of Paisley Park and immediately entered the computer into Carver County Sheriff's Office locker # 5 at the Sheriff's Office in Chaska.

At a meeting on 05-03-16 at 1100 hours, a decision was made to work a joint investigation with the United States Drug Enforcement Agency, DEA due to discovering controlled substances at Prince's residence. In working a joint investigation with the DEA, another decision was made to have a DEA computer forensic examiner conduct the examination of Prince's computer based on the search warrant your affiant received on 04-25-16 by the honorable Carver County Judge Janet Cain.

During the early morning hours of Thursday 05-05-16, the DEA flew out a forensic computer examiner from the State of Virginia to image the silver Apple computer. At 1053 hours on 05-05-16, your affiant executed the search warrant issued by Carver County Judge Janet Cain granting permission to search the Apple silver lap top computer belonging to Prince Rogers Nelson dob/06-07-1958. During that time, the computer examiner from the DEA imaged the hard drive so that a search of the hard drive could be completed at a later time. Upon completion, I returned the computer to the Carver County Sheriff's Office evidence locker along with a mirror copy of the hard drive and completed a search warrant receipt which was later sealed along with the warrant.

On Monday, 05-09-16 I learned that Sgt. Meier had received a phone call from Dr. Quin Strobel from the Midwest Medical Examiner's Office. In speaking to Dr. Strobel, we learned that the results from Prince's toxicology screening showed Prince had a lethal dose of the narcotic Fentanyl in his system. Your affiant along with the DEA conducted a Minnesota Prescription Monitoring Program warrant and learned that Prince Rogers Nelson had no prescriptions issued to him and that Kirk Johnson had only one, Oxycodone which was prescribed on 04-14-16 by Dr. Michael Schulenberg, the same doctor who was at the scene of Paisley Park on 04-21-16 when deputies arrived and the same doctor who admitted in a statement to

Detective Chris Nelson that he had prescribed Prince a prescription for oxycodone the same day as the emergency plane landing but put the prescription in Kirk Johnson's name for Prince's privacy.

The investigation into Prince's death began focusing on where Prince obtained the fentanyl and controlled narcotic prescription medication that was located in his bedroom the day of his death and who gave it to him. Your affiant learned that Prince did not have a regular doctor and that his most recent contact before Dr. Schulenberg was various doctors his managers would set up for him before a show so that Prince could receive a "B12 injection" to "feel better" before performing for a show.

During the continued investigation, your affiant spoke with Christopher Terrance Gaither dob/09-26-1984, one of Prince's bodyguards who said that Prince had once owned a cell phone but that after his cell phone was hacked into and a lot of his personal information was stolen, Prince became leery of storing his information on the phone and stopped carrying a cell phone and began sending emails. Gaither confirmed Prince had an Apple MacBook computer that he would use to send emails and that he would frequently go online after shows to read reviews about his performance. During my conversation with Gaither, Gaither said Prince was very private and had his past manager, Julia Ramadan set up an email account for him that he would use as his own so people didn't know it was him in case the email was hacked.

Detective Neil Kuhnau obtained a statement from Julia Yasine Ramadan dob/05-05-1990, Prince's manager from 2011-2013 who confirmed what Gaither stated about setting up an email account for Prince. Ramadan said she set up a google account for Prince identified as [jyramadan@gmail.com](mailto:jyramadan@gmail.com) and that Ramadan stated she still communicated with Prince via that same email, [jyramadan@gmail.com](mailto:jyramadan@gmail.com) up until the day of his death. Ramadan told Detective Kuhnau that after she heard about the drug overdose and the emergency plane landing on 04-15-16, she had sent Prince an email to the [jyramadan@gmail.com](mailto:jyramadan@gmail.com) email which said "sending my love". Ramadan said she received a return email from Prince which stated "love received" which confirmed Prince was still using the [jyramadan@gmail.com](mailto:jyramadan@gmail.com) account.

On 06-08-16, Your affiant spoke with DEA task force officer Jeff Voller who had been in contact with the DEA computer forensic examiner in Virginia who has been examining a hard drive image of Prince's Apple laptop computer. According to DEA Officer Voller, the DEA examiner advised that there wasn't a lot of information stored on the computer but also mentioned he wouldn't be surprised and explained how if someone accessed their email account from Google, those files would be saved under that users email address, the google server and not on the computer itself.

According to Officer Voller, he learned from the DEA computer examiner that there was several email accounts located on Prince's lap top computer. Those accounts were identified as [jyramadan@gmail.com](mailto:jyramadan@gmail.com), [mistag3@gmail.com](mailto:mistag3@gmail.com), [Peterbravestrong@gmail.com](mailto:Peterbravestrong@gmail.com) and [paisleyparkafterdark@gmail.com](mailto:paisleyparkafterdark@gmail.com). Officer Voller said he was told by the DEA computer examiner that there was email evidence of the profile [jyramadan@gmail.com](mailto:jyramadan@gmail.com) being accessed from Prince's lap top computer. This was the same email account Julia Ramadan confirmed with Detective Kuhnau that she set up for Prince and the same email she said Prince used up until his death. Officer Voller said that he

learned from the examiner that there was also a skype conversation from November of 2014 which showed the email address of peterbravestrong@gmail.com. Peter Bravestrong was the same name which was found on the suitcase tag in Prince's bedroom and whom your affiant believes is an alias name Prince would use while traveling. Your affiant googled "Peter bravestrong" and located a user profile for a male under the address of Peterbravestrong@gmail.com.

On 06-16-16 at 1500 hours, Detective Chris Nelson, DEA task force Officer Voller and Lombardi interviewed Judith Glory Hill dob/05-06-1984 in Los Angeles, CA. In later speaking with Det. Nelson, I learned that Judith and Prince were involved in a romantic relationship since the fall of 2014. During the interview, Judith said she would communicate with Prince via landline phone or email. Judith admitted she would communicate with Prince at the jyramadan@gmail.com address (*the same email that Julia Ramadan admitted to communicating with Prince on before his death*). Judith also confirmed that Prince would use the name "Peter Bravestrong" when he would travel to help conceal his identity. This is the same name found on the tag from the suitcase located in Prince's bedroom and the email account found on Prince's laptop computer.

On 09-01-16, your affiant received subpoena information from Google confirming the Jyramadan@gmail.com, Mistag3@gmail.com, Peterbravestrong@gmail.com and Paisleyparkafterdark@gmail.com were all active and current accounts. In reviewing the subscriber content, the only email which had a "recovery email" set up was the paisleyparkafterdark@gmail.com account. The recovery email was listed as KAJ@hipfit.net which we know from our investigation is one of the email addresses registered to Kirk Anthony Johnson dob/09-22-1964 (*prince's longtime friend and bodyguard*). We know from the investigation that Kirk Johnson previously assisted Prince in obtaining controlled narcotic prescriptions by contacting Dr. Michael Schulenberg on 04-14-16, the day Prince flew to Atlanta, GA for a concert and then subsequently overdosed.

Your Affiant knows through training and experience that people will often communicate in many different forms; including, but not limited to, emails, text messaging, and phone calls. Your affiant recently investigated a separate death investigation involving a synthetic drug overdose where the victim in that case purchased the manufactured drugs through his internet email account. Your Affiant is aware that in this case, Prince Rogers Nelson did not have a cell phone and communicated only via landline and email. Your affiant also learned that account records, such as saved and sent emails from Google are not stored on the computer and are kept on the email Gmail account server.

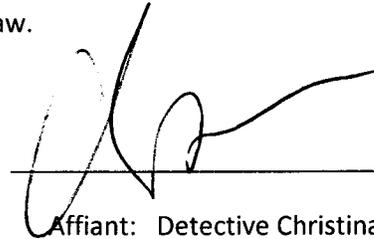
Prince Rogers Nelson died as a result of a narcotic fentanyl overdose from which he was not prescribed. Your affiant believes that the Google Gmail accounts from Prince's lap top computer will hold valuable evidence into who Prince was communicating with.

Your affiant knows Prince was a private person and trusted only a select few, Kirk Johnson being one of them. Your affiant knows from the investigation that Kirk Johnson managed a lot of Prince's affairs including obtaining a narcotic prescription for Prince from Dr. Schulenberg. Kirk Johnson told your affiant during the interview when Prince needed something, Prince would either call or email. Based on Kirk Johnson having access to Prince's account, PaisleyParkafterdark@gmail.com, your affiant is also

requesting the courts permission to obtain a search warrant for the Gmail address PaisleyParkafterdark@gmail.com believing it will have valuable evidence related to the investigation.

Your Affiant respectfully requests the Court's permission to serve a search warrant on Google, Inc. for Gmail records and emails from accounts which were accessed and located on Prince's computer, identified as PaisleyParkafterdark@gmail.com to assist in the investigation into who provided the controlled substances to Prince Rogers Nelson.

WHEREFORE, Affiant requests a search warrant be issued, commanding **Detective Christina Wagner, (a peace officer(s), of the State of Minnesota, and all other personnel under your direction and control between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.** only to search the hereinbefore described Premises, for the described property and things and to seize said property and things and keep said property and things in custody until the same be dealt with according to law.

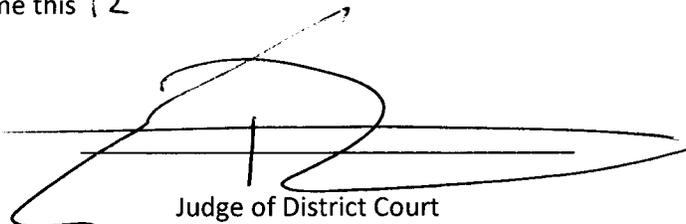


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Affiant: Detective Christina Wagner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12

day of Sept, 2016



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Judge of District Court

## SEARCH WARRANT

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF CARVER

DISTRICT COURT

TO: **DETECTIVE CHRISTINA WAGNER**, (A) PEACE OFFICER(S) OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

WHEREAS, **DETECTIVE CHRISTINA WAGNER** has this day on oath, made application to the said Court applying for issuance of a search warrant to search the following described Premises, :

**Google Legal Investigations Support**

**Re: GMAIL**

**1600 Amphitheatre Parkway**

**Mountain View, CA 94043**

located in the City of Mountain View, County of Santa Clara, and STATE OF CALIFORNIA for the following described property and things:

**All data maintained by Google, Inc. pertaining to the GMAIL account identified as: PaisleyParkafterdark@gmail.com To include but not limited to contents of all the communications stored in the Gmail account, including emails stored in the inbox, starred, important, sent, drafts, trash and notes folder to include photographic images/movie/videos. Including All records, files and contents of Gmail, Google Docs, Google Drive, Google calendar, location history, Google Chrome Sync, Google Services, Google Maps engine, Google Hangouts, Google Photos, Google+, Google profile, web history and plus one.**

**All records or other information regarding the identification of the account holder including name, address, telephone number and any log in IP address used. All records of session times and durations, the date the account was created, the length of service, the account status, alternative email addresses linked or associated with the account and log files. All records pertaining to communications with Gmail and any other person who has contacted Google regarding the account and actions taken.**

WHEREAS, the application and supporting affidavit of Detective Christina Wagner was/were duly presented and read by the Court, and being fully advised in the premises.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Court finds that probable cause exists for the issuance of a search warrant upon the following grounds:

**- The property above-described constitutes evidence which tends to show a crime has been committed, or tends to show that a particular person has committed a crime.**

The Court further finds that probable cause exists to believe that the above-described property and things are

at the above-described premises, 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway. Mountain View, CA 94043.

NOW, THEREFORE, YOU **DETECTIVE CHRISTINA WAGNER THE PEACE OFFICER(S) AFORESAID, AND ALL OTHER PERSONNEL UNDER YOUR DIRECTION AND CONTROL ARE HEREBY COMMANDED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 A.M. AND 8:00 P.M. ONLY** TO SEARCH THE DESCRIBED PREMISES, FOR THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED PROPERTY AND THINGS, AND TO SEIZE SAID PROPERTY AND THINGS AND TO RETAIN THEM IN CUSTODY SUBJECT TO COURT ORDER AND ACCORDING TO LAW.

BY THE COURT:

Dated: 9.12.16



JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT