

IN THE CIRCUIT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI
DIVISION ____

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Michael E. Reuter
CLERK, CIRCUIT COURT
JEFFERSON COUNTY

STATE OF MISSOURI,

Plaintiff

vs.

LAURA VOLKART

[REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

SSN: XXX-XX-[REDACTED]

Defendant

No: 26JE-CR01505

OCN:

FELONY COMPLAINT

COUNT: I

Charge Code: 570.145-003Y20202699.0

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jefferson, State of Missouri, charges that Laura Volkart, in violation of Section 570.145, RSMo. committed the class C felony of Financial Exploitation of a Disabled Person: to knowingly obtain, by deceit, control over property from a person with a disability with the intent to permanently deprive the person of the property which has a detrimental effect on that person, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 558.002 RSMo., in that: between January 6, 2022, through September 18, 2023, in the County of Jefferson, State of Missouri, the defendant deceived, with the intent to permanently deprive, B.Y., a person with a disability, by using her position as a program director obtained control over B.Y.'s money, which had a value of at least five thousand dollars (\$5,000), through family members who managed B.Y.'s expenses, and thereby benefitted the defendant and detrimentally affected B.Y.

COUNT: II

Charge Code: 570.030-035Y20202399.0

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jefferson, State of Missouri, charges that Laura Volkart, in violation of Section 570.030, RSMo, committed the class D felony of Stealing by Deceit: to appropriate property or services of another with the purpose to deprive him or her thereof, either without his or her consent or by means of deceit or coercion, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 558.002 RSMo., in that: between January 6, 2022, through September 18, 2023, in the County of Jefferson, State of Missouri, the defendant used her position as program director to obtain payments from B.Y., B.D., and B.W. by deceit in making false representations to B.Y., B.D., and B.W., when the defendant knew such representations were false, causing B.Y., B.D., and B.W. to part with payments designated for B.Y.'s health and living expenses that the defendant then took, intending to withhold such payments from B.Y. permanently, and the payments had a combined value of at least seventy hundred and fifty dollars (\$750.00).

Ranges of Punishment

The range of punishment for a class C felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than three (3) years and not to exceed ten (10) years; or by a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); or by both imprisonment and a fine. If money or property has been gained through the commission of the crime, any fine imposed may be not more than double the amount of the offender's gain from the commission of the crime up to a maximum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

The range of punishment for a class D felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not to exceed seven (7) years; or by imprisonment for a special term not to exceed one (1) year in the county jail or other authorized penal institution; or by a fine not to exceed ten thousand

dollars (\$10,000); or by both imprisonment and a fine. If money or property has been gained through the commission of the crime, any fine imposed may be not more than double the amount of the offender's gain from the commission of the crime up to a maximum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the attached statement(s) of facts, made a part hereof and submitted as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause.

Wherefore, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

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Received and filed this _____ day of _____, 2026, and bail is set
at _____.

Circuit Judge

SO ORDERED.