

**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR
CRIMINAL COMPLAINT AND ARREST WARRANT**

INTRODUCTION

I, Patrice R. Guillory, being first duly sworn state:

1. I, Patrice R. Guillory, have been employed with the Newport News Police Department (NNPD) since May 2018, and more specifically with the Special Victims Unit since April 2022. This assignment has afforded me the opportunity to investigate and/or arrest and prosecute numerous individuals for crimes relating to sexual assault in violation of the Virginia (VA) State Code. I also have been involved in criminal investigations concerning violations of federal laws. Those investigations include, but are not limited to, human trafficking, child exploitation, and child pornography. Since joining the NNPD, I have attended specialized training courses in interviewing victims of sexual assault, human trafficking, identifying and seizing electronic evidence, and computer forensic, recovery, and social site investigations.

2. I am currently assigned as a Master Police Officer with the NNPD, Criminal Investigations Division, Special Victims Unit, as well as a Task Force Officer (TFO) assigned to Homeland Security Investigations, Norfolk Division Hampton Roads Human Trafficking Task Force (HRHTTF). I am also a cross-designated Title 19 Task Force Officer with the United States Homeland Security Investigations pursuant to 19 U.S.C. § 1401(i), authorized to conduct sexual exploitation investigations.

3. As a TFO, I have participated in investigations involving human trafficking, persons who collect and distribute child pornography, and the distribution of materials relating to the sexual exploitation of children. As a Newport News Police Officer assigned to the Special Victims Unit, I have investigated cases involving sexual assaults of adults and children.

4. This Affidavit supports an application for a criminal complaint charging Raheem Massiah ASKEW with Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 242 and 250(a) and (b)(1).

5. This Affidavit is based upon information that I have gained from my investigation, my training and experience, as well as information gained from conversations with other law enforcement officers. Since this Affidavit is being submitted for the limited purpose of securing a criminal complaint, I have not included each and every fact known to me concerning this investigation. I have set forth only the facts that I believe are necessary to establish probable cause to believe that RAHEEM MASSIAH ASKEW has committed a violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 242 and 250(a) and (b)(1).

STATUTORY AUTHORITY AND DEFINITIONS

6. This investigation concerns an alleged violation of 18 U.S.C. § 242, relating to sexual abuse. Section 242 provides:

whoever, under color of any law, statute, ordinance, regulation, or custom, willfully subjects any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured or protected by the Constitution or laws of the United States . . . shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than one year, or both. . . .

18 U.S.C. § 242.

7. Title 18, United States Code, Section 250 provides the penalties for civil rights offenses involving sexual misconduct, including § 242. *See id.* § 250(a) (“It shall be unlawful for any person to, in the course of committing an offense under this chapter . . . engage in, or cause another to engage in, sexual misconduct.”). Under § 250(b)(1):

Any person who violates subsection (a) shall be—in the case of an offense involving aggravated sexual abuse, as defined in section 2241, or if the offense

involved sexual abuse, as defined in section 2242, or if the offense involved an attempt to commit such aggravated sexual abuse or sexual abuse, fined under this title and imprisoned for any term of years or for life.

Id. § 250(b)(1).

8. Section 2242 defines “sexual abuse” as the following conduct:

(1) causes another person to engage in a sexual act by threatening or placing that other person in fear (other than by threatening or placing that other person in fear that any person will be subjected to death, serious bodily injury, or kidnapping);

(2) engages in a sexual act with another person if that other person is—

(A) incapable of appraising the nature of the conduct; or

(B) physically incapable of declining participation in, or communicating unwillingness to engage in, that sexual act; or

(3) engages in a sexual act with another person without that other person’s consent, to include doing so through coercion. . . .

Id. § 2242.

9. Section 2246 defines “sexual act” to mean, *inter alia*, “contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, and for purposes of this subparagraph contact involving the penis occurs upon penetration, however slight.” *Id.* § 2246(2)(A).

FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES

10. On March 14, 2026, at approximately 2229 hours, the Newport News Communications Center received a call from a citizen stating a female (hereinafter referred to as Victim 1) was lying on the ground in a parking lot located at 980 J Clyde Morris Boulevard, Newport News, Virginia. The caller indicated the female was breathing but not responsive. Victim 1 was identified as an Australian National who was in the United States for duties related to her position within the Australian Defense Forces.

11. ASKEW—who was employed as a sworn officer by the NNPD and on duty on this date—and another Newport News Officer (“Officer 1”) were dispatched to the shopping center

parking lot. ASKEW and Officer 1 arrived at the location at approximately 2238 hours, along with Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) from the Newport News Fire Department (NNFD).

12. Based on a review of ASKEW's Body Worn Camera (BWC) footage, it appears that ASKEW and Officer 1 found Victim 1 lying on her back on the ground. Officer 1 tapped Victim 1 in an attempt to wake her up. Victim 1 continued to lie on the ground while speaking to the officers and medical personnel.

13. ASKEW asked Victim 1 if she could stand. As Victim 1 attempted to stand up, ASKEW caught Victim 1 by the arm to keep her from falling forward onto the ground. Victim 1 told ASKEW that she had been drinking alcohol.

14. Through conversation, ASKEW and Officer 1 were able to determine Victim 1's identity and that she was staying at the Country Inn and Suites located at 1069 J Clyde Morris Boulevard, Newport News, Virginia. ASKEW asked Victim 1 if she was okay with him taking her to the Country Inn and Suites, and Victim 1 agreed.

15. During her interaction with ASKEW and Officer 1, Victim 1 held her hands up in the air. As Victim 1 began to walk to ASKEW's NNPD marked patrol vehicle, Victim 1 stated, "Don't shoot, please." ASKEW stated that he was not going to shoot her. Victim 1 continued to hold her hands up as she walked to the vehicle.

16. As Victim 1 entered the back of ASKEW'S NNPD marked patrol unit, ASKEW told Victim 1 that she could put her hands down. Victim 1 stated, "I'm a bit scared." ASKEW again told her that she could put her hands down, and Victim 1 again stated that she was scared.

17. Officer 1 explained to Victim 1 that ASKEW would take her back to the hotel to meet her friends.

18. Before getting into his NNPD patrol vehicle, ASKEW deactivated his BWC, in violation of NNPD policy. Officer 1 cleared himself from the call for service. ASKEW transported Victim 1 to the Country Inn and Suites.

19. On March 20, 2026, I received video footage from the Country Inn and Suites. In reviewing the video, I was able to determine that ASKEW and Victim 1 entered the hotel lobby at approximately 2248 hours on March 14, 2026. ASKEW assisted Victim 1 to the elevator and onto the third floor. At approximately 2249 hours, ASKEW and Victim 1 entered Room 317. ASKEW exited Victim 1's room at approximately 2306 hours and departed the Country Inn and Suites.

20. On March 14, 2026, at approximately 2324 hours, Newport News Communications received a call from a citizen stating that a female approached them "in a state of undress" requesting help. A different citizen also called, stating the female was "heavily intoxicated and naked wandering the property." The caller also stated that police "dropped her off earlier."

21. ASKEW and Officer 1 were dispatched to the Country Inn and Suites.

22. In reviewing video footage obtained from the Country Inn and Suites, I observed Victim 1 exit her room nude from the waist down at approximately 2309 hours, only three minutes after ASKEW exited her room, at 2306 hours. Victim 1 went to several doors on the third floor until citizens attempted to assist her. At approximately 2330 hours, Victim 1 appeared to collapse onto the floor as citizens continued to attempt to assist her.

23. At approximately 2337 hours, Victim 1 proceeded to the elevator and went to the ground floor lobby with citizens, while she was still nude from the waist down.

24. Officer 1 arrived at the Country Inn and Suites at approximately 2344 hours.

25. I interviewed Officer 1 on March 20, 2026. Officer 1 stated that upon his arrival at the Country Inn and Suites, he observed Victim 1 in the parking lot disoriented and nude from the

waist down. Shortly after Officer 1's arrival, Victim 1 collapsed and began vomiting. Victim 1 was ultimately transported by ambulance to Riverside Regional Medical Center by the NNFD EMT for treatment. Officer 1 rode in the ambulance with Victim 1.

26. During the transport, Victim 1 was non-verbal but typed notes on a tablet provided by EMTs. Victim 1 typed notes indicating she was raped. She also typed that she was abducted and indicated there may be a camera inside her room.

27. At Riverside Regional Medical Center, Victim 1 told a Forensic Nurse that she had been abducted and "gang raped." Victim 1 told the nurse that she had been raped by a police officer. Victim 1 also made statements that indicated she was fearful of being executed by Columbians.

28. On March 24, 2026, I conducted a consensual interview with ASKEW in the parking lot of the apartment complex where he resides. ASKEW admitted to determining Victim 1 was intoxicated when ASKEW first came in contact with Victim 1 in the parking lot located at 980 J Clyde Morris Boulevard, Newport News, Virginia.

29. ASKEW stated he transported Victim 1 to the Country Inn and Suites located at 1069 J Clyde Morris Boulevard, Newport News, Virginia, in his NNPD marked patrol vehicle. ASKEW stated he was able to detect the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from Victim 1's person while Victim 1 was in the back seat of his vehicle.

30. Upon their arrival at the Country Inn and Suites, ASKEW stated he obtained Victim 1's room key and phone from the front desk clerk that were left there by one of Victim 1's friends. The clerk also advised ASKEW that Victim 1 was staying in Room 317. ASKEW stated he assisted Victim 1 in walking to the elevator and to her room on the third floor.

31. Once on the third floor, ASKEW stated he went into Victim 1's room. ASKEW admitted to having vaginal intercourse with Victim 1.

32. ASKEW was wearing his patrol uniform and displaying his badge of authority throughout his entire interaction with Victim 1.

33. On March 20, 2026, I spoke to Victim 1. Victim 1 stated she recalls going to a nearby bar on March 14, 2026. Victim 1 does not recall having intercourse with ASKEW, nor did she consent to having sexual intercourse with ASKEW.

CONCLUSION

34. Based upon the facts set forth above, I respectfully submit that probable case exists to believe that on or about March 14, 2026, in the City of Newport News, within the Eastern District of Virginia, RAHEEM MASSIAH ASKEW, while acting under color of law, willfully deprived Victim 1 of her fundamental right to bodily integrity, a right secured and protected by the Constitution and laws of the United States, when he penetrated Victim 1's vulva with his penis without Victim 1's consent and when Victim 1 was incapable of appraising the nature of the conduct and was physically incapable of declining participation in, or communicating unwillingness to engage in, that sexual act. The offense included sexual abuse as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2242. All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 242 and 250(a) and (b)(1).

35. In consideration of the foregoing, I respectfully request that this Court issue a Criminal Complaint and Arrest Warrant for RAHEEM MASSIAH ASKEW.

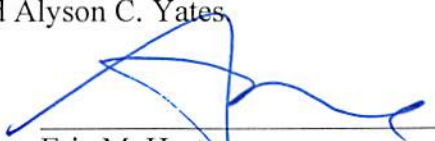
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This Affidavit has been reviewed for legal sufficiency by Assistant United States Attorneys Eric M. Hurt and Alyson C. Yates

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of April, 2026, in the City of Norfolk, Virginia.



Hon. Lawrence R. Leonard
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE