

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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for the

**January 25, 2022**

Northern District of Texas

**KAREN MITCHELL**

**CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT**

United States of America  
v.

Henry Dwight Williams

Case No. 3:22-MJ-69-BK

*Defendant(s)*

**CRIMINAL COMPLAINT**

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of January 13, 2022 in the county of Dallas in the Northern District of Texas, the defendant(s) violated:

<i>Code Section</i>	<i>Offense Description</i>
18 U.S.C § 922(g)	Unlawful Possession of a Firearm

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

Please see attached affidavit of Special Agent Taylor Page.

Continued on the attached sheet.



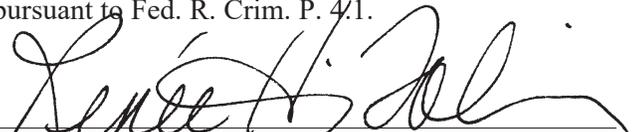
*Complainant's signature*

SA Taylor Page, FBI

*Printed name and title*

Agent sworn and signature confirmed via reliable electronic means, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 4/1.

Date: January 25, 2022



*Judge's signature*

City and state: Dallas, Texas

RENÉE HARRIS TOLIVER, U.S. Magistrate Judge

*Printed name and title*

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

I, Taylor C. Page, a Special Agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) being duly sworn, depose and state as follows:

**INTRODUCTION**

1. I have been employed as an FBI Special Agent since May 2018. Prior to that time, I was training in Quantico, Virginia. During my training and since that time, I have received formal training from the FBI as well as training through contact with experts from various law enforcement agencies regarding unlawful possession of firearms, theft of firearms, Hobbs act robbery, and other violent crime related offenses. As a result of my training and experience, I am familiar with the violations of federal laws pertaining to unlawful possession of a firearm. Based upon my experience as Special Agent with the FBI, I know that individuals who have committed felonious acts in the past and violate certain state and federal regulations are prohibited from possessing a firearm. As a federal agent, I am authorized to investigate violations of laws of the United States and to execute warrants issued under the authority of the United States.

2. The information in this affidavit is from my personal knowledge and from information provided by other individuals; it does not represent all information collected in this investigation. This affidavit only includes the facts necessary to establish probable cause for the arrest of **HENRY WILLIAMS, a/k/a Michael** (DOB: xx-xx-1989) (**WILLIAMS**) for unlawful possession of a firearm in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g).

3. Affiant knows that it is a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g) when a person knowingly possessed a firearm in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce and did so knowing that he had previously been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, that is, a felony offense.

#### **FACTS IN SUPPORT OF PROBABLE CAUSE**

4. At approximately 9:45 a.m. on or about January 15, 2022, a subject later identified as Malik Faisal Akram barricaded himself in the Congregation Beth Israel Synagogue, located at 6100 Pleasant Run Rd, Colleyville, Texas, with a handgun. Akram took several individuals inside Beth Israel as hostages. After taking the hostages, Akram demanded to speak to a Jewish leader in New York and indicated if he did not speak to a Jewish leader, he would shoot hostages. Akram also stated he had guns and two bombs and that he was “not afraid to pull the strings,” indicating that he may be wearing an explosive device. It was later determined that Akram did not have any explosive devices inside Beth Israel.

5. During conversations with FBI negotiators, Akram demanded the release of a federal prisoner, Aafia Siddiqui, who is currently housed at FMC Carswell. Siddiqui is currently serving an 86-year sentence for terrorism offenses.

6. After negotiating with agents, Akram released one of the hostages but remained inside with the other hostages.

7. In the course of the investigation, investigators associated cellular telephone number XXX-XXX-6458 (Number 6458) with Akram. The cellular phone assigned to Number 6458 was found on Akram’s body after agents raided the synagogue.

8. Agents showed a known photo of Akram to the individual who had been a hostage but was released. The hostage positively identified the person depicted in Akram's photo as the hostage taker.

9. The standoff ended when the hostages escaped as law enforcement made entry to Congregation Beth Israel, and Akram was killed.

### **AKRAM'S ASSOCIATION TO WILLIAMS**

10. During the review of call detail records associated to Number 6458, Agents identified phone number XXX-XXX-2928 (Number 2928) as being in contact with Akram beginning on January 11, 2022, and continuing through January 13, 2022. Agents also discovered video surveillance footage of Akram receiving money at a check cashing store on the morning of January 13, 2022. Records revealed the amount Akram received was \$572.48. Further analysis of Akram's cellular records showed that after he left the area of the check cashing store, Akram traveled to an area in South Dallas where he then had a series of phone calls with Number 2928.

11. On or about January 16, 2022, FBI Agents contacted Number 2928 and spoke briefly with an individual that identified himself as "Michael Williams" (**WILLIAMS** later clarified that he uses the name "Michael" when he receives phone calls from people he does not know and that his true first name is "Henry"). During the conversation, **WILLIAMS** stated that he recalled meeting a man with a British accent within the last couple weeks, but he did not recall the name of that individual.

12. On January 19, 2022, U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Irma Carrillo Ramirez, signed a search warrant for historical call detail records

and Pen Register Trap and Trace related to Number 2928, the number the man who called himself “Michael Williams” used. During the warranted review of historical call detail records related to Number 2928, Agents observed cellular tower use which indicated that the users of Number 2928 and Number 6458 were in close proximity to one another on January 13, 2022.

13. On January 24, 2022, Dallas Police Department (DPD) arrested **WILLIAMS** on an outstanding state-court warrant, and he was transported to DPD Headquarters to be interviewed. **WILLIAMS** was read his *Miranda* Rights and agreed to talk with Agents. **WILLIAMS** confirmed that his phone number was XXX-XXX-2928 and that the phone number was assigned to the cellular device which was on **WILLIAMS**'s person at the time of his arrest.

14. **WILLIAMS** went on to state that he recalled brokering a transaction for a gun which he conducted with Akram in the preceding weeks. **WILLIAMS** described the gun that he sold Akram as a black, semi-automatic handgun. Upon being shown photos of Akram, and the handgun seized during the search of the Congregation Beth Israel synagogue, **WILLIAMS** confirmed that Akram was the person to whom **WILLIAMS** sold the handgun. The single firearm seized during the search of the Congregation Beth Israel was a Taurus Model G2C pistol, bearing serial number TMT58628. An ATF report concerning this firearm indicates it was manufactured in the country of Brazil, indicating it had travelled in foreign commerce prior to **WILLIAMS**'s possession of it.

15. At the time of the sale, **WILLIAMS** stated that Akram told him the gun was going to be used for intimidation as Akram represented that he wanted it to try and

get money from someone who had an outstanding debt with him. **WILLIAMS** obtained the handgun and then met with Akram at an intersection in South Dallas, within Dallas County in the Dallas Division of the Northern District of Texas, where **WILLIAMS** gave the handgun to Akram. **WILLIAMS** stated he received \$150 for the firearms transaction with Akram. Investigators believe this transaction occurred on January 13, 2022, when the devices connected to telephone numbers associated with **WILLIAMS** and Akram were in close proximity, based on the search-warrant returns and as described in paragraph 12.

#### **HENRY WILLIAMS'S PRIOR CONVICTIONS**

16. As stated above, and as outlined in 18 U.S.C. § 922(g), a person who knows that he has been convicted in any court of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year is unable to possess any firearm or ammunition that has travelled in interstate commerce. **WILLIAMS's** criminal history outlines several felony convictions which would preclude him from owning a firearm, including the following:

- a. A second-degree felony in 2005 for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, as documented in Dallas County Court case F-0519425. **WILLIAMS** was sentenced to five years confinement.
- b. A third-degree felony in 2013 for attempted possession of a controlled substance, as documented in Dallas County Court case F-1360121. **WILLIAMS** was sentenced to three years confinement.

17. Further, during the custodial interview with **WILLIAMS** on January 24, 2022, **WILLIAMS** stated to the interviewing Agents that he knew he was not allowed to be in possession of a firearm and that he knew conducting the sale of the gun to Akram was illegal.

**CONCLUSION**

18. Based on the forgoing facts and circumstances, there is probable cause to believe that on or about January 13, 2022, **HENRY WILLIAMS** (DOB: xx-xx-1989) unlawfully possessed a firearm within the Dallas Division of the Northern District of Texas, in violation of 18 U.S.C § 922(g). I respectfully request the issuance of a criminal complaint and arrest warrant for the offense of possession of a firearm by a person who has been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term of more than one year, a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g).



TAYLOR C. PAGE  
SPECIAL AGENT  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Agent sworn and signature confirmed via reliable electronic means, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of January, 2022.



RENÉE HARRIS TOLIVER  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE