

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA * **CRIMINAL DOCKET NO. 13-281**

v. * **SECTION: "B"**

CHANNING CHRISTOPHER MILLER *

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FACTUAL BASIS

The above-named defendant, **CHANNING CHRISTOPHER MILLER**, has agreed to plead guilty as charged to Count One of the Indictment in the above-captioned matter in which he is charged with possessing with the intent to distribute a quantity of cocaine hydrochloride in violation of Title 21 United States Code 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(C). Should this matter have proceeded to trial, the United States of America would have proven beyond a reasonable doubt, through the introduction of relevant, competent, and admissible testimonial, physical and demonstrative evidence, the following facts to support the allegation against the defendant, **CHANNING CHRISTOPHER MILLER**:

On November 14, 2013, at approximately 5:00 a.m., Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agents and Louisiana State Police (LSP) troopers established surveillance near the location of Bienville Ave. and North Peters St. in New Orleans, Louisiana. Plain-clothed agents established surveillance in anticipation of conducting routine bus interdiction operations at the MEGABUS drop-off location on Bienville Ave. At approximately 5:30 a.m., agents and troopers observed a MEGABUS bus arriving from Houston, Texas at the Bienville Ave. and North Peters

St. drop-off location.

At approximately 5:38 a.m., agents and troopers observed the MEGABUS bus doors open and passengers exit off of the bus. At approximately 5:45 a.m., LSP Trooper Arnell Garner observed one of the passengers, later identified as **CHANNING CHRISTOPHER MILLER (MILLER)**, exit the aforementioned MEGABUS bus rear exit and then grab a black bag from the MEGABUS luggage staging area.

At 5:50 a.m., Trooper Garner observed **MILLER** watching agents who were conducting consensual encounters with MEGABUS patrons. Trooper Garner then approached **MILLER** and identified himself as an LSP Trooper. While speaking to **MILLER**, Trooper Garner smelled the aroma of marijuana from **MILLER**'s person. **MILLER** advised Trooper Garner that he had just arrived from Houston, Texas where he had visited his brother. **MILLER** also advised that he planned on catching a taxi cab back to his residence in Houma, Louisiana. Trooper Garner asked **MILLER** if he had any weapons or narcotics on his person or in his luggage. **MILLER** responded that he did not. Trooper Garner then obtained verbal consent from **MILLER** to search his black back pack and black duffel bag.

Agents found and seized the following drug evidence from **MILLER**'s back pack:

- Four individually wrapped packages of cocaine hydrochloride wrapped in a clear plastic wrap, further held in a black and purple plastic bag;
- One plastic bag containing marijuana;
- Two white bottles containing an off-white cutting agent;

In sum, agents located 2 kilograms of cocaine hydrochloride in a black plastic bag and located another 1 & ½ kilos of cocaine hydrochloride in a purple plastic bag. Agents then arrested **MILLER** and transported him to the NOPD 8th District. LSP Trooper Jason Boyet read

MILLER his Miranda Rights.

Finally, **CHANNING CHRISTOPHER MILLER** admits that the above-stated conduct constitutes a knowing violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(C).

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CHANNING CHRISTOPHER MILLER
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