

STATE OF FLORIDA

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY,
FLORIDA

Vs.

Defendant,

Complaint No.: 201810000755
Altamonte Springs Police Dept.

Bret Thomas Warren

2018CF 1075A

Offenses:

Voter Fraud – Per. F.S.S. 104.011

Hair: Brown Eyes: Blue

Height: 604 Weight: 200

Date of Birth: 12/10/1981 Race: White Sex: Male

Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

Last Known Address: 1493 West Silver Hammock, Deland, Florida 32720

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AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST WARRANT

THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

On October 31st 2016, Officer Kelting responded to 411 Spring Valley Lane in reference to information that the citizens of that residence may have been the victim of voter fraud.

Upon arrival, Officer Kelting met with the homeowners, Joy and Matt McGahey, who identified themselves via their Florida driver's licenses and provided sworn written statements describing the following incident:

Joy stated she went online to the Supervisor of Elections website sometime in August 2016, requesting absentee ballots for she and Matt be mailed to their home. On October 21st 2016, Joy went online to check on her ballots, which had not arrived. Joy and Matt had heard from a neighborhood newsletter that some

ballots were stolen from the mailboxes. Joy talked with a Supervisor of Elections office employee who stated that her ballots were mailed to her on October 8th 2016, and had been filled out, signed and sent back to the Supervisor of Elections office on October 19th 2016. An Elections office employee checked the signatures on both Joy and Matt`s ballots, who in turn told them the signatures did not match what was on file. As a result, both Joy and Matt were told by the Supervisor of Elections office to come in and fill out a provisional ballot. They did so and were told that the false ballots would be turned over to the FBI for investigation. Joy and Matt believe someone may have taken their ballots from their mailbox and voted with them and stated they did not give anyone permission to do this. The Supervisor of Elections office could not tell them what the votes were until after the elections.

Officer Kelting also met with the resident at 408 Spring Valley Lane who identified herself via her Florida driver's license as Susan Halperin. It was determined that Susan's' husband, Lawrence Halperin, was also a victim. Susan provided a sworn written statement describing the following incident:

Susan stated she and her husband have always voted absentee ballots, which is an ongoing process and the ballots are automatically mailed out by the Supervisor of Elections office. On October 16th 2016, Susan noticed other family members received their absentee ballots but she had not. Susan said Lawrence went on line and re-requested the ballots. On October 17th 2016, they received a call from

an employee named Linda at the Supervisor of Elections office saying their ballots were mailed out on October 8th 2016. This employee stated she would send out two new ballots. Susan left town and placed a hold on their mail between October 10th through 24th 2016. Upon returning on October 25th 2016, she noticed there were no absentee ballots in the mail. They called the Supervisor of Elections office to report that they had not yet received their absentee ballots and were told that their absentee ballots were received, filled out, returned and signed. The signatures matched what they had on file. They insisted that their ballots were fraudulent and had not voted. The Supervisor of Elections office pulled the ballots they received and told them to go to their voting location and cast their votes. Susan was given a provisional ballot and submitted her vote. They were also told that the original ballots would be turned over for investigation by the State Attorney's Office or FBI. They did not give anyone permission to do this and will press charges.

On November 23rd 2016, Crime Scene Investigator Alison Smolarek and your affiant made contact with Michael Ertel, the Seminole County Supervisor of Elections. Ertel provided the fraudulent absentee ballots which were collected by CSI Smolarek and placed into property and evidence. The absentee ballots were then sent to the Seminole County Forensic Laboratory Services Division for analysis to determine if any latent prints could be retrieved from the ballots.

On December 12th 2016, CSI Annabelle Arciniega provided the absentee ballot envelopes to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for DNA analysis. The portion of the absentee ballots where one could seal the envelope with saliva was to be processed for a DNA profile.

On August 14th 2017, Seminole County Latent Print Analyst Brandon Edwards provided a Latent Print Comparison Report from the absentee ballots submitted. Latent Print Analyst Edwards recovered a fingerprint from the ballot with a matching standard from the automated search in the Biometric Identification System (BIS) indicating the fingerprint matched Bret Thomas Warren, white male, date of birth: 12/10/1981.

On January 3rd 2018, your affiant and Lieutenant Murphy attempted to make contact with Bret Warren at his address located at 1173 Paseo Del Mar #C, Casselberry, Florida. Upon arrival, your affiant met with Warren's girlfriend who said Warren was not home but would return later.

Roughly an hour later, your affiant witnessed Warren arrive in a red Honda Accord and enter his apartment. Your affiant and Lt. Murphy spoke again with Warren's girlfriend who said Warren came home but just left again. After explaining to her that we saw Warren enter the apartment and never exit, your affiant encouraged her to go back inside and check again.

A couple minutes later, Warren opened the door a few inches and had the chain lock attached to the door. Through a two-inch gap in the door, your affiant spoke with Warren.

In summary, your affiant asked Warren if he ever lived at the address off of Buttercup Circle in Altamonte Springs. Warren said his parents use to reside there but they have since moved. Your affiant asked him if he would have been at their house back in October of 2016 and he replied "yes." Your affiant explained to Warren that several absentee ballots were fraudulently filled out near his parents' address during that period and his fingerprints were found on one of those ballots. Warren said he might have picked up trash from his parents street and placed it inside his parents recycling bin but he never filled out any ballots and sent them in for count.

After several minutes of conversation, Warren said he wanted to speak with his lawyer before answering any further questions.

On March 13th 2018, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement provided a Laboratory Report indicating the DNA profile of Bret Warren located in the CODIS database matching a profile located on the absentee ballot envelopes.

Your affiant contacted Warren and advised him of the new information provided by FDLE in relation to the DNA recovered from the fraudulent ballot envelopes. Warren said he would meet me at the Seminole County Jail to turn himself in.

Upon completion of this investigation, I found probable does exist to charge Bret Thomas Warren (DOB 12/10/1981) with Voter Fraud per F.S.S. 104.011 for the above listed charge.


AFFIANT'S SIGNATURE

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 2 DAY OF APRIL, 2018


OFFICER

Affiant Personally Known
 Affiant Produced Identification
_____ Type of Identification

