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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MANITOWOC COUNTY

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Plaintiff,

DA Case No.: 2024MN000454
Assigned DA/ADA: Jacalyn C. LaBre
Agency Case No.: 2024-00000729
Court Case No.: 2024CF000162

vs.

AMENDED CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

JESSE VANG
3918 Mishicot Road
Two Rivers, WI 54241
DOB: 11/04/1984
Sex/Race: M/A
Eye Color: Brown
Hair Color: Black
Height: 5 ft 2 in
Weight: 100 lbs
Alias:

Defendant.

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The undersigned complainant, being duly sworn, states that the following complaint is true and correct.

Count 1: CHRONIC NEGLECT OF A CHILD - SPECIFIED HARM DID NOT OCCUR - PTAC, AS A PARTY TO A CRIME

The above-named defendant February 1, 2024 - February 18, 2024, in the City of Two Rivers, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, as a party to a crime, being a person responsible for the welfare of a child, VICTIM-CHILD 1, DOB (08/2020), through his action, for reasons other than poverty, negligently failed to provide necessary care so as to seriously endanger the physical, mental, or emotional health of the child, and the natural and probable consequences of this violation would be harm under 948.21(3) par (a), (b), (c) or (d), Wis. Stats., although the harm did not actually occur, and the actor is guilty of chronic neglect as he, to wit., contrary to sec. 948.215(1)&(2)(e), 939.50(3)(h), 939.05 Wis. Stats., a Class H Felony, and upon conviction may be fined not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), or imprisoned not more than six (6) years, or both.

PROBABLE CAUSE:

The complainant alleges he is informed by the reports of Megan Klumpyan known to complainant to be a Detective with the Two Rivers Police Department and Detective Lieutenant Jacob Glaser of the Two Rivers Police Department, that the incident occurred in the City of Two Rivers, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin.

Based on information provided by Det. Klumpyan and Det. Lt. Glaser:

1. On 02/20/2024, the Two Rivers Police Department (TRPD) was notified by dispatch that JESSE VANG called 911 at 10:59 a.m. reporting that he was babysitting a three year old child VICTIM. VANG reported that while watching the child he fell asleep. When he woke up the child was missing. Law enforcement responded to the VANG residence at 3918 Mishicot Road, Apt. 102, in Two Rivers, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin in an attempt to locate the VICTIM. Law enforcement has been unsuccessful in locating VICTIM-CHILD1 as of March 18, 2024.

2. On 02/20/24, Det. M. Klumpyan, of the Two Rivers Police Department, spoke with VANG at the residence at 3918 Mishicot Road, Apt. 102. VANG said he is in a relationship with VICTIM-CHILD1's mother, KATRINA B BAUR. VANG stated that VICTIM-CHILD1 has been staying with him recently. VANG stated he has been trying to help BAUR correct VICTIM-CHILD1's bad behaviors. VANG stated that he has been assisting with the care of VICTIM for approximately 1 month but not continuously. VANG stated that on today's date (02/20/24) he woke up with his autistic teenage son. VANG helped his son with getting on the bus at approximately 0730 hours. VANG stated VICTIM-CHILD1 was still asleep after he walked his son out to the bus. VANG stated that he woke VICTIM-CHILD1 at approximately 0800 hours and brought him into the bedroom with him. VANG stated that he shut the door and VANG fell asleep. VANG stated he woke up at approximately 1100 hours and found that VICTIM-CHILD1 was gone. VANG said he then called 911 to report VICTIM-CHILD1 missing.
3. On 02/20/2024, Det. Lt. Glaser spoke with BAUR. BAUR stated that VICTIM-CHILD1 has been in the care of JESSE VANG for approximately one week. BAUR resides in the Wisconsin Dells. BAUR stated she dropped off VICTIM-CHILD1 with JESSE VANG on 02/12/2024 in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. She intended on VICTIM-CHILD1 coming back to the Wisconsin Dells on Friday, 02/23/2024.
4. On 02/20/2024, DCI Agent Neal Lofy did speak with KATRINA BAUR and denied that she was in the Manitowoc County area on February 16-17, 2024.
5. Det. Klumpyan is aware that pursuant to search warrants, law enforcement did conduct forensic extractions of JESSE VANG and KATRINA BAUR's cell phones after they were consensually turned over to law enforcement. Based on analysis of these cell phones, specifically location data obtained, that law enforcement obtained information that contradicted KATRINA BAUR's statements that she had not been in the Manitowoc area on February 16-17, 2024. Law enforcement located messages from VANG to BAUR at approximately 6:39 pm hours and 6:49 pm, February 17, 2024, where VANG tells BAUR that he is angry that VICTIM-CHILD1 overfilled his diaper with poop and pee, and that VANG gave VICTIM-CHILD1 a cold shower. VANG noted that VICTIM-CHILD1 was clean but scared.
6. Det. Lt. Glaser spoke with Katrina BAUR and she stated that Jesse Vang was the enforcer of rules in the relationship and that was the reason for sending VICTIM-CHILD1 to stay with VANG. She discussed with him the limits of what discipline she did not want used. Other than that she is fine with whatever discipline VANG enforces. She gave examples of discipline including praying, saying he was sorry and going over four rules that VICTIM-CHILD1 is supposed to be memorizing. At no point did she admit she was in the City of Two Rivers between February 12, 2024 and February 20, 2024 or had any face to face contact with VICTIM-CHILD1. She said she was discussing behavior issues with VANG around Thanksgiving of 2023 and he said she needed to try harder to stop the behavior. BAUR stated she wanted VANG to teach VICTIM-CHILD1 by example how to be a man. She said the first time VICTIM-CHILD1 had gone to stay by VANG without her was in January 2024. She said the past week was the longest time VICTIM-CHILD1 had stayed with VANG without her being there. Det. Lt. Glaser said while talked about this past week she admitted she had been in Two Rivers on February 16, 2024. She said she left the Wisconsin Dells around 6 or 7 pm and arrived in Two Rivers late at night. She saw VICTIM-CHILD1 on the couch but he was tired. She said she left early morning on February 17, 2024. She was confronted about being in Two Rivers on a different day and she did admit she was in Two Rivers on February 14, 2024 for a period of time and then went back home.

7. On 02/20/2024, VANG consented to meeting with law enforcement at TRPD and agreed to a consensual interview. During the course of the interview conducted by Detective Michael Herrmann of the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office, Det. Herrmann also spoke with Jesse Vang at the apartment prior to going to the Two River's Police Department. VANG made consensual statements in regards to his recent interactions with VICTIM-CHILD1. VANG stated that VICTIM-CHILD1 is afraid of him, then corrected himself and stated that he "respects me". He stated that they put VICTIM-CHILD1 here as a "punishment" for his bad behavior. They were trying to teach him how to be good here and good at home. VANG indicated that he is trying to make him understand that "going home is like a privilege for him." He explained that VICTIM-CHILD1 has been living with him on and off for about three weeks. He stated that the main punishment was to stand in the corner and face the wall and pray. For the first two weeks VICTIM-CHILD1 would pray, this week he was having him say sorry mommy.
8. VANG stated that VICTIM-CHILD1 was disciplined using "time outs". He described the time outs as being standing for periods of time from 1-3 hours. During this time, VICTIM-CHILD1 was required to pray or say "I'm sorry mommy". VANG reported that VICTIM-CHILD1 was in "time out" for the majority of this time with VANG as it was intended as a form of "boot camp". Other than "getting into things", VANG was unable to identify specific bad behaviors which required a "time out". VANG reported that VICTIM-CHILD1 is not potty trained and that he is still wearing diapers. VANG advised that he changed VICTIM's diaper "at least once per day". On the evening of 02/19/2024, VANG changed VICTIM-CHILD1's diaper prior to him going to bed at approximately 8:00-9:00 p.m. He then watched "Ready Player One" prior to putting him to bed. He stated that VICTIM-CHILD1 was not watching the movie as VANG "put him in punishment." He stated that VICTIM will stand in the corner or "stand by the bed by me". VANG stated, "He gets pretty tired from ... I guess like from standing too." He explained he does not want to be mean to him but he is trying to teach him to be more respectful. He was asked about February 19, 2024 if he made VICTIM-CHILD1 stand to which he replied, "Ahh yeah . . . for probably like 2 to 3 hours." VANG confirmed again that VICTIM-CHILD1 stands for 2-3 hours without sitting. In the event that VICTIM-CHILD1 tries to sit down, Vang will say "You want cold water?" He then indicated "He's fine, it's not like his knees are shaking and about to fall over you know."
9. On the morning of 02/20/2024, VANG woke up at approximately 0730 hours and prepared his son for school. At that time, he saw VICTIM-CHILD1 sleeping on the futon sofa in the living room. VANG took his son to the bus stop and locked the apartment door. Upon returning to the apartment VANG found VICTIM-CHILD1 still sleeping on the sofa. He woke VICTIM-CHILD1 and they ate breakfast. He reported that VICTIM-CHILD1 ate some cereal, which had frosting on one side and wheat on the other, without milk. Then they went to VANG's bedroom where VICTIM-CHILD1 was told to stand and pray near the foot of VANG's bed. He did not change VICTIM-CHILD1's diaper as he was too tired. VICTIM-CHILD1 was not allowed to do "fun things" as he was in a "time out." When asked about any toys at the apartment, VANG reported that there was a one toy which he received at Christmas time. This toy was similar to a tool box, however, he was not allowed to play with it during the week of 02/12/2024-02/20/2024 as he was "in a time out." When asked what happens if the time out do not work with VICTIM-CHILD1, VANG stated that he would give him an "ultimatum." VANG reported that the ultimatum was usually "do you want some cold water?" VANG reported that VICTIM-CHILD1 did not like cold water but did not know why. He denied following thru with ultimatums. When asked about what VICTIM ate while he was with VANG, he stated "pizza, noodles, cereal" and similar items. He stated that VICTIM-CHILD1 was still bottle fed and he was trying to get him to eat regular food. He was unable to provide specific details as to the food. While VANG was sleeping he would lock the door to the apartment at the door knob, dead bolt, and with a security chain attached at the top of the door to keep VICTIM-CHILD1 from walking out of the apartment. VANG reported

that on the evening prior to VICTIM-CHILD1 going missing he had consumed three (3) twelve ounce Budweiser beers and one Cyclobenzaprine as a sleep aid.

10. Katrina Baur and Jesse Vang's cell phones were reviewed by law enforcement including text and Facebook messaging. On February 13, 2024 at approximately at 9:30 PM Katrina Baur and Jesse Vang begin discussing Katrina coming to Jesse's apartment for sex. Jesse says that Katrina cannot see VICTIM-CHILD 1 when she gets to the apartment and that VICTIM-CHILD 1 can be placed in the bathroom while they have sex. At approximately 10:12 PM Katrina sends a message to Jesse and VICTIM-CHILD 2 can sleep in the car. Then at approximately 11:45 PM he says VICTIM-CHILD 1 will be put in the living room and that Katrina needs to be quiet walking through. At 12:39 AM on February 14, 2024 Jesse asks Katrina to send her location so he knows when to put VICTIM-CHILD 1 to sleep. They also discuss her stopping at Kwik Trip in Manitowoc while on the way. On February 14, 2024 Katrina Baur's cell phone arrives in Two Rivers at approximately 2:27 AM. There were Facebook messaging between Katrina Baur and Jesse Vang. At 2:35 AM Katrina asks Jesse "Is there a way to shut off your headlights completely". Jesse responds "No can not sit off completely" Katrina messages "I can't find VICTIM-CHILD 2's (DOB 5/2017) cell phone but a cop just passed by so I want to make sure she's good." VICTIM-CHILD 2 is a child for which Katrina Baur is a parent of and Katrina Baur indicated VICTIM-CHILD 2 is autistic to Law Enforcement. Katrina messaged "Let me find her phone quick cause I need to have some type of sound for her." Jesse messaged "Probably think some one is warming up." Katrina responded "Not worth the risk. I'll leave it off for a bit then turn it on again." Jesse said "ok". She messaged she found the phone but it was dead. She messaged she would leave her phone in the car. She questions whether to leave her phone on but mute it around 2:40 AM. She also messaged "It should stay warm for a bit right" He responded "yea it will". At approximately 3:13 AM a photograph was taken and the GPS indicates she was at 3918 Mishicot Drive, Two Rivers. The photograph shows VICTIM-CHILD 1 laying down on a bed. VICTIM-CHILD 1 had a blindfold over his eyes, appears to have bruising on his jaw line and neck on the left side, as well as bruising on his upper left arm. Katrina Baur confirmed that she took the picture and later deleted it around 4:12 AM. Katrina Baur's phone leaves Two Rivers at approximately 4:30 AM on February 14, 2024. According to the National Weather Service records the low temperature for Two Rivers on February 14, 2024 was 27 degrees Fahrenheit and the high temperature was 36 degrees.
11. In a review of Facebook messenger messages between Katrina Baur and Jesse Vang officers located a photograph taken on February 15, 2024 at approximately 8:24 PM showing VICTIM-CHILD 1 standing in corner in diaper only, hands appear to be in praying position, and the diaper looks full. It appears to have been taken at Jesse Vang's apartment.
12. The phone records further indicate that Katrina Baur returned to the City of Manitowoc on February 16, 2024 at approximately 11:01 PM. She called Jesse Vang's phone about 11:15 PM and went into a Kwik Trip store to purchase items which was confirmed by surveillance video. At approximately 11:21 PM Katrina Baur texted Jesse Vang's phone "Onm put him to sleep." Jesse Vang responded OK. Katrina Baur phone arrives to Jesse Vang's apartment around midnight. At approximately 12:30 AM on February 17, 2024 Katrina Baur's and Jesse Vang's cell phones move to the City of Manitowoc. At approximately 12:50 AM Jesse Vang went to Saucy's Bar in the City of Manitowoc and went inside by himself. This was confirmed by a patron of the Bar. Their phones separate for about an hour. During that time Katrina Baur traveled to the Kwik Trip located at 2103 South 42nd Street, in the City of Manitowoc. Officers were able to view surveillance video from the Kwik Trip Store. In that video Katrina Baur can be seen sitting in the driver's seat of the vehicle. There is no child seen in the vehicle. At approximately 1:45 AM Katrina is seen making purchases inside the Kwik Trip store alone. At approximately 1:55 AM Katrina Baur's phone travels to Jesse Vang's location and they return back to Jesse Vang's

apartment in Two Rivers. At approximately 5:00 AM Katrina Baur leaves Two Rivers. On February 16, 2024 VICTIM-CHILD 2 was being taken care of by a person in the Wisconsin Dells area. On February 16, 2024 VICTIM-CHILD 1 was in Two Rivers and supposed to be under the care of Jesse Vang and Katrina Baur. Law enforcement has been unable to locate anyone other than Jesse Vang or Katrina Baur who cared for the child on February 16 and 17, 2024.

13. On February 18, 2024 at approximately 4:36 AM Jesse Vang messages Katrina Baur “ I told you to trust me.. I’m a make sure he hates me and being here”. She responded “ Don’t want him to *hate* YOU. Just fear you”. Jesse responds “It’s ok. Some one had to be the bad person.” Katrina messaged “ I know but either way at he can fear you and respect you.” Jesse messaged “He did fear me..but he didn’t respect me..now I’m making him respect me.”

The information provided by Agent Lofy, Lt. Oswald, Det. Herrmann, Det. Lt. Glaser and Det. Klumpyan is believed because they have provided true and reliable information as law enforcement officers. The information provided by Jesse Vang, and Katrina Baur is believed as it is based on their observations and experiences.

The complainant is informed by the records of the Wisconsin circuit courts (CCAP), Crime Information Bureau (CIB), National Crime Information Center (NCIC), and/or the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT), known to complainant to be reliable as they are records maintained by circuit courts and/or government agencies which have provided true and reliable information in the past, that the defendant has been convicted of the following offense(s)/crime(s), which remain of record and unreversed:

10/24/2002 PTC Crim Damage to Property 01 CM 2404 (Outagamie)
07/03/2002 Flee an Office 02 CF 55 (Manitowoc)
07/03/2002 Battery by Prisoner 02 CF 165 (Manitowoc)
10/03/2002 Child Abuse – Intentionally Cause Harm 02 CF 254 (Outagamie)
01/21/2005 Mfg/Del Cocaine 04 CF 410 (Winnebago)
07/23/2004 Poss Cocaine 04 CM 651 (Outagamie)
04/17/2006 Poss Cocaine 06 CF 52 (Outagamie)
04/26/2007 Resist/Obstruct Officer 06 CM 1892 (Outagamie)
10/19/2009 Fel Bail Jump/Habitual 07 CF 782 (Outagamie)
07/23/2007 DC 07 CM 435 (Manitowoc)

Approved by complainant for filing:

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 03/19/24

Electronically Signed By:

Jill L. Vendetti

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Jacalyn LaBre

Complainant