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April 22, 2015

David Christ
955 Vines Road
Cobden, IL 62920

Mr.Christ:

Please consider this our response to your attached April 15, 2015 Freedom of Information Act request, summarized below:

Information regarding the arrest of Elmer Tellor for manufacturing methamphetamines on my property.

Please find enclosed all arrest documents responsive to your request with the following redactions:

- Home addresses, telephone numbers and license plates have been redacted Pursuant to Section 7(1)b of FOIA (5 ILCS 140/7(1)b) as they are private information as defined in Section 2(c-5) of FOIA (5 ILCS 140/2(c-5)).
- Dates of birth are exempted under 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) as approved by the Office of the Attorney General in pre-authorization letter 2011 PAC 13577.
- The names of minor children incidentally mentioned in the report are exempted under 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) as approved by the Office of the Attorney General in pre-authorization letter 2011 PAC 13529.
- The names of third parties who were never arrested or were incidentally mentioned in police reports are exempted under 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) as approved by the Office of the Attorney General in pre-authorization letter 2011 PAC 12140.

We feel this completes your request. If we may be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Rollie Hawk, Chief Information Office

Enclosure

Cc: Tyler Edmonds, State's Attorney
Scott Harvel, Sheriff
Asa Busby, Investigator

To Whom it may Concern:

This is my written request, dated 4-15-15, pursuant to the FOIA for information regarding the arrest of Elmer Sellar for manufacturing methamphetamines on my property at

955 Vines Road,
Cobden, Illinois
on or about Jan 1, 2012

Thank you,
Dad L...

RECEIVED BY
UNION COUNTY
STATES ATTORNEY ON:

4/15/15 KS

NON-TRAFFIC COMPLAINT AND NOTICE TO APPEAR

UNION CO. SHERIFF'S DEPT.

CASE NO. UC 120130003
STATE OF ILLINOIS 33
COUNTY OF UNION

002951

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Union COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The undersigned says that:

ON 01/10, 2012, AT 640 P. M.



PHONE NO. _____ (STREET) _____ (CITY) _____ (STATE) _____
BIRTHDAY _____
DID IN Carle ILLINOIS

IN Union COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS, UNLAWFULLY COMMIT THE
FOLLOWING OFFENSES: Possession of Meth less than 5 grams
(DESCRIBE) _____

IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 402(c) CHAPTER 720
OF THE ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES, LOCAL ORDINANCE _____
OF SAID MUNICIPALITY.

THE UNDERSIGNED, ON OATH, SAYS THAT THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE FOREGOING
ARE TRUE IN SUBSTANCE AND IN FACT.

DATED _____, 2012
Signed and sworn to before me _____
(Signature and identification of Officer or other Complainant)

Clerk
YOU ARE DIRECTED TO REPORT TO THE ABOVE NAMED COURT AT
309 WEST MARKET Jackson Co Jail

JONESBORO ILLINOIS 62952 ON 1/1 AT _____ AM/PM

NOTICE: THE COURT WILL ISSUE A WARRANT FOR THE ARREST OF THE

**Union County Sheriff's Office
Union County Drug Task Force
UCSO/UCDTF
SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**

Case# UC120133003

**Reference: Consent to search 955 Vines Road, Cobden, Union
County, Illinois.**

Report by: Agent Busby ~~AB~~

Date: January 26, 2012.

On, Thursday, January 26, 2012, I Reporting Agent (R/A) Busby and Deputy Theriac of the Union County Sheriff's Office/ Union County Drug Task Force (UCSO/UCDTF) received consent to search the property located at 955 Vines Road in Cobden, Union County, Illinois, from the owner David Christ. The property searched includes David Christ's residence and his business known as Hog Wild Barbeque which is located in the pole barn. The following are details of this investigation.

On the morning of January 26, 2012, I R/A Busby was contacted via cell phone from Deputy C. Harvel who is also employed by the Union County Sheriff Office. Deputy C. Harvel advised she had received a telephone call from a unknown Female. Deputy C. Harvel advised that this unknown Female was asking for R/A Busby cell phone number, Deputy C. Harvel didn't give the cell phone number out, so this Female wanted R/A to know when the arrest of Elmer Tellor and Sherry Stone occurred at David Christ's residence for cooking Meth, David Christ knew Elmer was doing it.

After talking to Deputy C. Harvel, I R/A Busby received a call via cell phone from Sheriff Livesay who requested me to report to his office for drug related information. Upon arrival to Sheriff Livesay's office, I R/A Busby observed Anna Police Chief Dale Foster talking to Sheriff Livesay. Sheriff Livesay advised he received information that David Christ and his girlfriend [REDACTED] were cooking Meth at his residence located at 955 Vines Road in Cobden, Illinois.

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R/A Busby

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Chief Dale Foster said his department also received a call from a unknown Female saying David and his girlfriend was cooking Meth at his residence. After receiving the information, I R/A Busby met with Deputy Theriac and asked for his assistance. Deputy Theriac advised he would assist and he rode with this R/A to David Christ's residence.

Upon our arrival to 955 Vines Road, I R/A Busby observed David Christ exited a vehicle in his driveway. I R/A Busby advised David Christ why Officer's were present and I R/A Busby asked David Christ for permission to search his property. David gave a verbal consent to search his property.

I R/A Busby and Deputy Theriac followed David into his residence. Upon entering the residence, I R/A Busby didn't detect any chemical odor or observe any sign of anyone cooking Methamphetamine in the residence. I asked David who was here with him, and he advised no one.

Officer's followed David downstairs, while searching the area of the basement that David calls his wood shop, I R/A Busby opened a black trash bag and observed a gatorade bottle used in the production of Methamphetamine. I R/A Busby carried 2 black trash bags out of the basement and walked to the front of the residence.

I R/A Busby made arrangements for the Illinois State Police (ISP) District 13 Methamphetamine Response Team (MRT) to pick up the Meth items.

While waiting for the arrival of the MRT Unit, Officer's followed David to his business (Hog Wild barbeque) kitchen area, no drug related items were located. Officer's also followed David inside his pole barn and to a burn pile located in his back yard with no drug related items located.

Special Agents (S/A's) Leslie Vancil and Curtis Eggemeyer from the MRT arrived and I R/A Busby advised them the situation and I showed Agents what was located.

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Agents searched the black trash bags I R/A Busby brought up from the wood shop located in the basement. Agents discovered 2 plastic bottles converted into generators (containing liquid fire and salt) and used in Manufacturing Methamphetamine and 2 gatorade bottles used as "Shake and Bake" Methamphetamine cook bottles.

1 bottle was in a plastic baggie, I R/A Busby took the plastic baggie as evidence for latent prints. I asked David Christ if he would follow Officers to the Union County Sheriff's Office and give a statement. I R/A Busby asked David if he would let us finger print him. I also explained to David I would submit the plastic baggie and his finger prints to the Illinois State Police Crime Lab. David said he would.

It should be noted that David's ex-girlfriend [REDACTED] called David numerous times when Officer's were present. Officer's overheard [REDACTED] yell and call David names.

I R/A Busby transported all evidence to the Union County Sheriff's Office and placed the evidence in the Union County Sheriff's evidence room pending transportation to the Illinois State Police Crime Lab.

On January 10, 2012 , I R/A Busby received permission from David Christ to search his residence for Meth making materials. Methamphetamine items were discovered and Elmer Teller who is employed by David Christ was arrested and Elmer Teller's girlfriend was also arrested for Methamphetamine.

Case Report

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INVESTIGATION

Case Number

0UC120133003 - 0

Area/Township

COBDEN OUTER

Officer

STROEHLEIN,JEFFREY #6137

Unit

UC31

Received By

DAMMERMAN,MICHEL #5795

Offense Information

POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE

UCR

POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE

Statute

72064660

No. Counts

Reportable

Officer Involve

No. Premises Entered

Forced Entry

Entry Method

Type of Premises

Attempted/Completed

Damaged Property Amount

Reported

01/10/2012

12:56

Dispatched

12:56

Arrived

12:56

Cleared

20:46

Location (Address)

955

VINES RD

Occurred

01/10/2012

15:21

Actual Date/Time

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:

City

COBDEN

Zip

62920

Disposition

ACTIVE/PENDING

Disposition Date

01/11/2012

Author: STROEHLEIN,JEFFREY #6137

Summary Date: 01/11/2012

Offense Summary

Summary Time: 11:17

Person	NAME (Last,First Middle)	Sex	Race	DOB	Residence Phone
BUSINESS	CHRIST, DAVID A	M	W	[REDACTED]	- -
Residence Address		City		State	Zip
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Employer/Business Name				Business Phone	
HOG WILD BBQ				- -	
Employer Business Address				City	State Zip
[REDACTED]				[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

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Suspect

NAME (Last,First Middle)

ADULT TELLOR,ELMER L

Sex

M

Race

W

DOB

[REDACTED]

Social Security Number

[REDACTED]

Alias

[REDACTED]

Height

505

Weight

155

Build

MEDIUM

Hair

BRO

Eyes

BLU

Residence Phone

- -

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

State

[REDACTED]

Zip

[REDACTED]

SMT - Type

SMT - Description

Clothing

[REDACTED]

Primary Motive

[REDACTED]

Object/Attack

[REDACTED]

Point of Entry

[REDACTED]

Method of Entry

[REDACTED]

Point/Exit

[REDACTED]

Attack/Person

[REDACTED]

Attack/Property

[REDACTED]

Weapon Type

[REDACTED]

Weapon Use

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Suspect

NAME (Last,First Middle)

ADULT STONER,SHERRY L

Sex

F

Race

U

DOB

[REDACTED]

Social Security Number

[REDACTED]

Alias

[REDACTED]

Height

0

Weight

0

Build

[REDACTED]

Hair

[REDACTED]

Eyes

[REDACTED]

Residence Phone

- -

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

State

[REDACTED]

Zip

[REDACTED]

SMT - Type

SMT - Description

Clothing

[REDACTED]

Primary Motive

[REDACTED]

Object/Attack

[REDACTED]

Point of Entry

[REDACTED]

Method of Entry

[REDACTED]

Point/Exit

[REDACTED]

Attack/Person

[REDACTED]

Attack/Property

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Weapon Type

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Received By

DAMMERMAN,MICHEL #5795

Author: STROEHLEIN,JEFFREY #6137

Narrative Date: 01/11/2012

Offense Narrative

Narrative Time: 11:22

On 01/10/2012 at approximately 1200 hours, I Deputy Jeffrey Stroehlein UC31 met with Agent Asa Busby UC10. Busby asked if I would be able to assist him in talking to David Christ later that day at 955 Vines Rd about the possibility of people cooking Meth on his property. I agreed and at approximately 1300 hours we arrived at 955 Vines Rd. Upon our arrival I spoke with Elmer Tellor who was in the kitchen area of a pole barn used for food preparation for the business Hog Wild BBQ, owned by David Christ, the owner of the residence. Myself and Busby asked Tellor where Christ was at and he told us Christ was at work in either Herrin or Johnston City. At this time, Tellor stepped out of the kitchen and gave Busby Christ's phone number. Busby then called Christ on the telephone and I spoke with Tellor. Tellor and I spoke briefly about the weather and other general things while Busby was on the phone with Christ. After a few minutes, Busby told myself and Deputy Jack Theriac UC12 that he had been given consent by Christ over the telephone to search the pole barn and that time.

Upon entering the barn at a work station Busby found a prescription pill bottle that had the name Sherry L Stoner on it containing an unknown liquid. The bottle was photographed and left in it's place until the proper test kits were available. We continued to search the pole barn. I opened up a white cooler and found a Shake and Bake meth lab. I knew it was a Shake and Bake lab based on my training and experience, also I showed it to Agent Busby who agreed. It was a clear gatorade bottle in a red folgers coffe can. To the right of the cooler was an empty bottle of Coleman fuel. Both items were photographed. Upon further search of the barn, I found a red bottle of liquid fire and to the left of it I saw, under a silver coffee can a green bottle that had plastic tubing coming from the top. I removed the silver can and found a generator (Meth smoke bottle). Both items were photographed and at that time, Busby told us to stop the search and that he was going to obtain a search warrant. When Busby left, he told us that no one was to enter the pole barn, kitchen area, or the residence. Deputy Theriac and myself stayed at the residence to secure the scene.

As Busby left, he sent me a text stating that the MRT (Meth Response Team) from DuQuoin had been called and were on their way. In the time we spent in the pole barn, three people had come out of the residence and were on the front porch. Sherry L Stoner, [REDACTED] (Christ's girlfriend) and [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]'s son). Christ had asked Busby to inform her of what was going on so she did not worry and I told her and her son privately when Busby had left.

There was a stereo on in the kitchen area and Elmer started to walk into the kitchen after being told not to. I asked Elmer what he was doing and he very nervously said he wanted to turn the stereo down. I told Tellor that the stereo was fine and he needed to stay on the porch or he could leave the property if he wished. At 1350 hours, [REDACTED] and her son [REDACTED] left the residence in a Dodge passenger car Il registration [REDACTED]. As I was talking to Allen before she left, Tellor again tried to enter the kitchen area and I told him that until we obtained and executed a search warrant, he was not allowed anywhere but the porch or on the outside of the structures including the residence. At 1356

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hours, Stoner and Tellor left in Stoner's green car Il registration [REDACTED].

At 1435 hours, the owner of the business and residence David Christ arrived home from work. At 1450 hours, members of the MRT arrived on scene. I quickly briefed MRT on what we had found in the pole barn. At 1521 hours, Busby called me and informed me that he had the search warrant signed and was on his way back to the residence.

During the search warrant I showed MRT what had been found previously. Upon searching the kitchen, I found another generator and a clear liquid in a plastic bag that was in a styrofoam cup in the storage room. MRT members showed me the styrofoam cup, noting that the side of it was beginning to melt. For a detailed list of what was taken by the MRT for disposal see Busby's report.

After taking all items from the pole barn, Christ gave us consent to search the basement, which is a common area that Tellor had been staying in a corner of. After searching the common area numerous items were found including tin foil that had suspected Methamphetamine residue on it. For a detailed list and photographs of items found during the search of the common room, see Busby's report.

After the search was completed, Christ called Tellor and told him he needed to come back to the residence to speak with deputies. Tellor and Stoner returned to the residence and after a brief conversation with both Stoner and Tellor, on their own free will they chose to come to the Union County Sheriff's Office to be interviewed. For details of the interview with Stoner and Tellor see Busby's report. Upon completion of Tellor's interview, he was placed under arrest for possession of Methamphetamine under 5 grams on non-traffic citation number 002951. Tellor was processed and taken to Jackson County Jail.

I have nothing further to report at this time. Investigation is ongoing.

Deputy Jeffrey Stroehlein #6137

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Incident Report

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Incident **2012-000191 Booking Duties**
Reported **Tuesday, January 10, 2012 @ 20:48:00**
At **308 W Mississippi St, Jonesboro, IL**

Entered By UC18 Hill,Brian #6004

Officer/Unit Assigned UC18 Hill,Brian #6004

Adult

Elmer Tellor
Last Known Address
 [REDACTED]
Anna, IL 62906
Phone [REDACTED]



T46021258165 IL

DOB	Current Age	Incident Age	Sex	Race	HGT	WGT	Hair	Eyes	Build	Skin
[REDACTED]	56	53	M	W	506	155	BRO	BLU		MED

Suspect Meth Possession of Arrest Adult on 1/10/2012

Released: 2/07/2012 @ 09:03:00 Posted Bond Bail: \$1,500 Cash
 Fingerprinted: Yes Released By: Harvel,Carla

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