

Probable Cause Narrative. Largo Police Report Number 23-002583

On 3/21/2023 the Largo Police Department responded to a call for service in reference to a missing person. Officers learned that the victim had left his office leaving behind his wallet, car keys and cellular telephone. The victim was in the process of responding to an email and music was playing from his phone. The complainant discovered the victim missing and while searching for him, entered the public bathroom to the office building. While inside he noted blood smeared on the bathroom door as well as blood on the stall wall and the bottom of the toilet. The victim's vehicle also remained in the parking lot.

When officers arrived, they discovered that the only unsecured entrance to the building were the main lobby doors that were monitored by external surveillance. While reviewing surveillance officers learned that a grey Toyota Tundra arrived at the office building at 08:32hrs. At 08:34hrs an unidentified white male is seen entering the building wearing gloves, carrying a large box and wearing a large backpack. Shortly after the victim arrives at the building at 08:37hrs wearing a red sweater. At 10:22hrs the subject who has a similar build to the first subject wearing the same backpack, exits the building and appears to have changed clothes. He is seen pulling behind him a large cart that appears to be heavy and have a red bag or blanket. It should be noted that the subject struggled with the weight of the cart while transporting it to the Toyota Tundra.

The victim missed a 10:30 telephonic court hearing that was supposed to be held with the defendant. The defendant attended the telephonic hearing from 10:28-11:04hrs. As soon as the defendant disconnects from the court hearing, video captures the subject at the crime scene beginning to move again. Specifically, at 11:05hrs the subject is seen repositioning the cart by the Tundra. The subject is later seen struggling to get the heavy cart into the bed of the truck on surveillance. The victim is never seen exiting the business on surveillance.

Forensics processed the scene and discovered a large quantity of blood that had been cleaned up from the bathroom floor. The blood smears were positive using a presumptive test. White fibers were also located in the bathroom as well as in the victim's vehicle. Of further note the defendant's left index fingerprint was located on scene in the breaker room for the office building which is not in an area normally accessed by the public.

The Toyota Tundra travels to the defendant's home in Tarpon Springs passing a Flock Camera at 11:51hrs with an image of a red bag or blanket in a cart that appeared to contain what resembles a human body located in the bed of the truck. The Tundra then arrived at the defendant's residence at 11:58hrs. On 3/23/2023 a search warrant was served on the defendant home and the same Toyota Tundra is found in the garage. During the use of forensic processing blood was located in the truck bed, on the driver's side headrest, drivers side floorboard, as well as the garage floor. It should be noted that the Toyota Tundra was not registered and had an unassigned tag on it. The Tundra however, was sold to the defendant in Oct 2022. The defendant did not register the vehicle or record the title. However, sale was recorded by the seller with the State of Florida to the defendant.

The defendant's red Toyota Corolla was seen leaving the area of his home on 3/21/2023 16:58hrs and later hit on tag readers in Miami, FL.

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On 3/25/2023 the defendant responded back to Pinellas County and was stopped by the Tarpon Springs Police Department. A search warrant was served on the Corolla. During the course of the search, a ballistic vest was found in the trunk of the vehicle with a substantial amount of blood located on it. Red fibers were also located on the ballistic vest as well as white fibers. A bag containing masks, a taser, brass knuckles, duct tape and intravenous sedatives {succinylcholine (paralyzing agent)} with syringes was found on the passenger floor board of the vehicle.

Due to the large quantity of blood located at the crime scene, the defendant's home and vehicle, along with the fact that the subject removed a container large enough to conceal a human body and the victim was never seen exiting the business on surveillance it is believed that the victim is deceased and the defendant intentionally, by a premeditated design caused his death.