



**OFFICER'S RETURN ON SEARCH WARRANT**

**FOR: THE HONORABLE JUDGE THOMAS WHEELER**

**DATE: December 12th, 2016**

Come to hand on the 12th day of December, A.D., 2016, at 2:37 pm and executed on the 12th day of December, A.D., 2016, at 3:11pm by seizing and taking the following described property:

- 1) "Samsung" Galaxy S6 cellphone
- 2) "Apple" iPhone cellphone
- 3) "Alcatel" OneTouch cellphone (no SIM)
- 4) Photos

Which said property was found at 1618 Sylvan Drive, Abilene, Texas, in obedience to command of said warrant.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Pipes - 741".

Detective Tim Pipes - 741

## Search Warrant

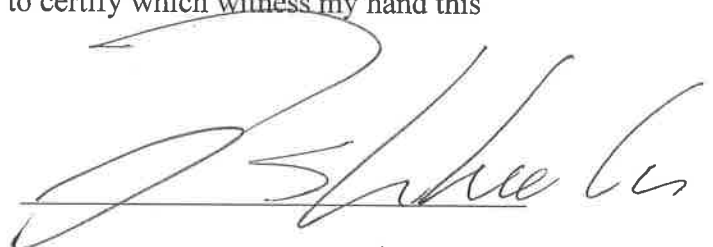
**State of Texas**  
**County of Taylor**

THE STATE OF TEXAS to the Sheriff or any Peace Officer of Taylor County, Texas or any Peace Officer of the State of Texas, GREETINGS:

Whereas, the affiant whose name appears on the affidavit attached hereto is a Peace Officer under the laws of Texas, and did heretofore this date subscribe and swear to said Affidavit before me and whereas I find that the verified facts stated by the Affiant in said Affidavit show that the Affiant has probable cause for the belief that expresses therein and establish existence of proper grounds for issuance of this Warrant; now, therefore, you are commanded to enter the suspected place, 1618 Sylvan Drive, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, including but not limited to: a .40 caliber handgun, .40 caliber ammunition, spent .40 caliber shell casings, cellphones, blood, fibers, muddy, bloody, or wet clothing, and bloody, muddy, or wet footwear, a black 2014 Toyota Tundra TX-  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ and a white Toyota Sequoia

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but you then and there this Warrant within three (3) days, exclusive of the day of its issuance and showing how you executed same.

ISSUED this the 12 day of December, 2016, to certify which witness my hand this date at 2:37, P. M.



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executors, but the victim's sister, Elloise Sweetser, and her husband, Luke Sweetser, had specifically been excluded as executors of the will. Elloise and Luke Sweetser were reportedly very upset over this issue and had made failed requests and attempts and changing the status of the executorship which led to verbal disputes between themselves and the deceased.

Your affiant additionally learned during the investigation that Luke Sweetser's location was unaccounted for during the night and morning leading up to the shooting victim's death. When contacted by detectives, Luke specifically told a detective that he did not have an alibi and was uncooperative with the investigation of the murder of his close family member by further refusing to speak to detectives for any reason.

Your affiant has learned through his training and experience that persons involved in criminal activity often utilized cellphones to further discuss and achieve their objectives. Furthermore, cellphones contain geographical information that can corroborate their locations at a given time. Your affiant also knows that persons involved in criminal activity transfer evidence from place to place inadvertently and intentionally. Therefore, your affiants ask for the issuance of this warrant to search said suspected place.

  
Affiant

Subscribed and sworn before me by said Affiant on this the 12th day of  
December, 2016.



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