

STATE OF TEXAS

WARRANT# 14CP060387

COUNTY OF TARRANT

The State of Texas to the Sheriff or any Peace Officer of Tarrant County, Texas, or any Peace Officer of the State of Texas:

Greetings:

Whereas, the AFFIANT whose signature is affixed to the affidavit appearing attached hereto is a Peace Officer under the laws of Texas and did heretofore this day subscribe and swear to said affidavit before me (which said affidavit is by this reference incorporated herein for all purposes), and whereas I find the verified facts stated by AFFIANT in said affidavit show that AFFIANT has probable cause for the belief he expresses therein and establishes the existence of proper grounds for the issuance of the warrant; Now, therefore, you are commanded to arrest

Bernard Gorman, W/M, DOB 05/02/1988 Texas DL

hereinafter referred to as the DEFENDANT and bring the said DEFENDANT before me, a Magistrate in and for Tarrant County, Texas, instanter, then and there to answer the State of Texas for an offense against the laws of said state, to wit

Murder PC 19.02(b)(1)

of which offense he, the said DEFENDANT, is accused by the written complaint, under the oath of DETECTIVE KEVIN MADDUX, filed before me anterior to the issuance of this warrant.

Herein fail not and due return make hereto at the place hereinbefore named.

Witness my official signature this the <u>/3</u> day	of February , 20 <u>15</u> . <u>Joseph Mallagher</u> Magistrate in and for Tarrant County, Texas
	Municipal Judge/City of Colleyville, Texas Title and Office held

Reference offense# 14CP060387

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AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST WARRANT # 14CP060387

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TARRANT

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared Detective Kevin Maddux, #081, hereinafter called the Affiant, who after being duly sworn upon his oath deposes and says he has good reason to believe and does believe that

> Bernard Joseph Gorman, W/M, DOB 05/02/1988 Texas DL

Bernard Gorman, did on or before September 23, 2014, against the peace and dignity of the State of Texas commit the offense,

> Murder, PC 19.02(b)(1) First Degree Felony

of the Texas Penal Code in Colleyville, Tarrant County, Texas. The Affiant is employed by the City of Colleyville Police Department and is currently assigned to the Criminal Investigation Section I have 19 years of service as a sworn Peace Officer for the State of Texas. Your affiant has received training in the investigation of murder. The Affiant further states that his reason for believing the same is based upon the following facts:

Affiant has received information from numerous investigating agencies including the Texas Department of Insurance, Texas Rangers and Federal Bureau of Investigation. The following is based upon information received from these agencies as well as records provided to Affiant.

On or about September 23, 2014 at approximately 1126 hours officers with the Collevville Police Department responded to a report of a person on the floor with a lot of blood. The address was 501 Frontier Court, Collevville, Tarrant County Texas. Upon arrival, officers found the victim later identified as Anita Fox, date of

birth January 03, 1945, lying deceased on the floor in a pool of blood and had suffered numerous trauma wounds to her body. Colleyville medical personnel pronounced the victim dead on September 23, 2014 at 11:43 hours.

- The body of the deceased victim, Anita Fox, was released from the scene at 501
 Frontier Ct. Colleyville, Tarrant County Texas and into the custody of the Tarrant
 County Medical Examiner's Office for subsequent autopsy.
- At the completion of the autopsy, the Chief Medical Examiner for the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office officially declared that the death of Anita Fox was caused by MULTIPLE STAB WOUNDS AND BLUNT FORCE TRAUMA OF HEAD.
- At the completion of the autopsy, the Chief Medical Examiner for the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office officially declared that the manner of the death of Anita Fox was HOMICIDE, with the address of the victim's death confirmed as 501 Frontier Ct Colleyville, Tarrant County, Texas.

Investigators on the scene identified the person who found the Body of Anita Fox and reported this offense. An employee of Frontier Ct Colleyville, Tarrant County Texas at approximately 11:10 – 11:20 hours on September 23, 2014 to maintain the plants for the homeowner and gave the following information that shows this murder was committed in concert with more than one individual suspect.

- Shortly after arriving at 501 Frontier Ct and still seated in her white passenger car
 in front of the residence, she observed a short, fat white male walking away down
 the entry steps of the residence.
- This white male had short spiked gray or blonde hair wearing a blue or gray shirt.
- This white male was carrying an orange bucket much like a "Home Depot" bucket as he left the property of 501 Frontier Ct.
- saw the facial features of this white male as he looked her direction.
- This white male entered the passenger side of a light brown or tan pickup truck that was being driven by a second white male only described as skinnier than the white male walking from the property.
- The light brown/tan pickup truck had a distinctive black ladder rack installed on the bed of the vehicle.
- The light brown/tan pickup left the scene. Instead of easily driving around the culde-sac she was parked at, the pickup backed down Frontier Ct. and turned around in the street.
- provided detailed description of suspect from which a forensic sketch was completed.

Gorman's DL image, picked #2 which was not Gerard Gorman.	
On 09/23/2014, Your Affiant spoke with and and gained the following information:	
reported that in the days preceding the death of Al Fox, they had observed a suspicious tan or silver pickup with a black ladder rethat they felt was strange as it was repeatedly present in the same area as the and that this suspicious activity had occurred on more than one occasion. Dobserved a light tan or silver pickup with a black ladder rack while of job site 09/19/2014 at Texas Oncology in Cleburne, Texas. The pickup enternation and possible observed this pickup at Texas Oncology on 09/19/2014 within the same time frame as the arrival of Anita Fox to the same job site. Dobserved this same tan or silver pickup with a black ladder rack object of the same tan or silver pickup with a black ladder rack object of this vehicle and had his wife observed this vehicle and had his wife opickup with her cell phone. Upon receiving this photograph from opickup with a black ladder rack or silver pickup with a black ladder rack object of this vehicle and had his wife opickup with her cell phone. Upon receiving this photograph from opickup with a black ladder rack or silver pickup with a black ladder rack object of this vehicle and had his wife opickup with her cell phone. Upon receiving this photograph from opickup; Texas registration DKK9452. A registration check on DKK9452 revealed that the owner of the pickup wilsted in Texas MVD files as Joe Gorman of 7979 N. Elrig Houston, Texas was later identified as Bernard Joseph Gorman, the nephew of the listed insurance beneficiary,	ack em n a red me ack on me the e a ble vas
were interviewed. Your Affiant asked if Anita Fox had any burial policy or insurance. and both initially answered that there were no known insurance policies currently active on Anita Fox including both burial and life. later reported to Sgt. Prewitt that he had not been truthful at that he did in fact have a life insurance policy on Anita Fox and that it was "monster". Lieutenant Mark Schupp Texas Department of Insurance provided life insurance account information on Anita Fox. Which detailed a one million dollar life insurance policy. It was learned from the information provided by Schupp the policy. It was learned from the information provided by Schupp the policy. Were paying \$700.00 a month each to maintain the policy.	wn ind s a ice ice

On 10/04/2014, Affiant was contacted by Colleyville CID and learned that Texas Rangers had located and initiated surveillance on Bernard Joseph Gorman's vehicle in an RV Park in Harris County, Texas. The 2007 Chevrolet TX LP DKK9452 was stopped on traffic violations, driver was identified as Bernard (Joe) Gorman, DOB 05/02/1988 he was arrested on an unrelated traffic warrant and incarcerated at Katy Police Department in Katy, Texas.

- The 2007 Chevrolet pickup bearing TX license plate DKK9452 along with a Nokia cellphone, LG cellphone and IPad found inside the pickup were impounded and secured at DPS Headquarters in Houston. Bernard Joseph Gorman claimed ownership of these items.
- The black ladder rack that had been attached to this vehicle in the photograph on 09/21/2014 was now missing.
- On 10/04/2014 Sgt. G. Prewitt and Detective C. Bonham drove to Katy Police department and interviewed Bernard Joseph Gorman and gained the following information from him:
 - o Bernard Joseph Gorman stated he was in fact the
 - Bernard Joseph Gorman stated that he was the sole owner of the silver 2007 Chevrolet pickup bearing Texas license plate DKK9452 and that the license plate DKK9452 currently attached to his vehicle has always been attached and never removed.
 - Bernard Joseph Gorman stated that on or about 09/19/2014, his father Gerard Gorman, borrowed his 2007 Chevrolet pickup bearing Texas license plate DKK9452 and took a trip in it to Tulsa Oklahoma. Bernard Gorman stated that he did not go with his father and remained in the Houston, Texas area.
 - Bernard Joseph Gorman stated that the cell phones and iPad in his truck at the time he was arrested, were in fact his property. Bernard stated that on or about 09/19/2014 when his father Gerard Gorman borrowed his truck for the trip to Tulsa, Oklahoma, he (Bernard) had accidently left his LG- LGL38C assigned cell phone number in the truck and it made the trip with Gerard.
 - Bernard Joseph Gorman stated that the LG cell phone was now inoperable however, as it and his had been thrown simultaneously in a toilet by his one year old daughter on or about 09/25/2014, just a couple of days after Gerard Gorman returned from the trip to Tulsa, Oklahoma.
 - When asked why he didn't have a ladder rack attached to his work truck, Bernard Joseph Gorman lied and stated that he had never had a rack attached to his vehicle.
 - When confronted about the photograph of his truck on 09/21/2014 in front of Big Willy's convenience store in Joshua, TX that clearly shows a ladder rack attached, Bernard Joseph Gorman admitted he lied and

that he took the ladder rack off of the truck on or about 09/24/2014, shortly after Gerard Gorman brought it back from the trip to Tulsa, Oklahoma.

- On 10/04/2014 search warrants were obtained to seize and search the cell phones, iPad and 2007 Chevrolet pickup bearing Texas license plate DKK9452. Search warrants were also subsequently obtained to retrieve electronic information from the iPad and cell phones as well as cellular transmission towers adjacent to the scene of the murder at 501 Frontier Ct in Colleyville, Texas. The following information was extracted from the LG- LGL38C cell phone owned by Bernard Joseph Gorman which was assigned phone number
 - Although not functioning electronically, the LG cell phone owned by Bernard Joseph Gorman that had been disabled by being thrown into a toilet, still contained retrievable data. This identifiable data was in the form of text messages between Bernard's phone and the phone of his
 - The electronic information gained from the search warrant on the phone of Bernard Joseph Gorman shows that numerous text messages were sent from this phone while located in Tarrant and Johnson County Texas between 09/19/2014 and 09/23/2014
 - On 09/21/2014 at 09:38:55 p.m. a message was sent from the LG phone owned by Bernard Joseph Gorman to his phone, The message read, "Sorry I can't talk me and him is in half murders". When interviewed, Bernard Joseph Gorman responded by stating "Oh that's what we call a fight, an argument between me and him. Where it comes to the point looks like we are going to kill each other, were in murders" The extracted text messages reveal three texts between the LG phone owned by Bernard Joseph Gorman and his phone referring to the time and date he would return home. One on 09/21/2014 indicates he is unsure when he would return, yet two were sent on the evening of 09/22/2014; both indicate directly that he would be returning to Houston the next day; which he in fact did. The date, time and route taken back to Houston was confirmed by information gathered through cellular tower pings and revealed they traveled back to Houston on 09/23/2014 immediately after the death of Anita Fox.
 - Using information gained from the search of electronic data from adjacent cellular transmission towers shows that the cell phone owned by Bernard Joseph Gorman was in the general area of 501 Frontier Ct on 09/23/2014
 - O The reception/transmission times listing the cell phone owned by Bernard Joseph Gorman revealed the phone was in the general area of 501 Frontier Ct. on 09/23/2014 at both 11:03 a.m. and 11:09 a.m., which falls within the date and time period of the murder of Anita Fox.

 On 09/25/2014 an internet search was found on the LG phone where the name, "Anita Fox – Ft. Worth" had been entered.

On 01/19/2015 Your Affiant and Ranger T. McDonald interviewed Bernard Joseph Gorman. Bernard admitted to lying in his first interview that had been conducted on 10/04/2014 and gave the following information of his actions and locations as well as his father's. Gerard Gorman during the time period of 09/19/2014 through 09/24/2014:

- Bernard Joseph Gorman now admitted driving his father Gerard Gorman to the Tarrant / Johnson county area, arriving on 09/19/2014.
- Bernard Joseph Gorman now admitted that on at least two occasions while he was in the Tarrant / Johnson county area, he accompanied his father Gerard Gorman to several locations where Anita Fox was known to be, including once to the Texas Oncology in Cleburne, Texas.
- O Bernard Joseph Gorman now admitted that he drove his father, Gerard Gorman to Colleyville, Texas on the morning of 09/23/2014 and gave a detailed description of the exterior of 501 Frontier Ct where the murder of Anita Fox occurred. Bernard also gave a detailed and matching description of the street layout leading to and in front of 501 Frontier Ct.
- Bernard Joseph Gorman stated he was aware of a person seated in a white vehicle at the end of the Frontier Ct cul-de-sac, which exactly corroborates where witness
- Bernard Joseph Gorman stated he saw his dad enter the residence at 501
 Frontier Ct on the morning 09/23/2014 and that his dad was carrying an
 orange or gray bucket, which corroborates the statement given by witness
- Bernard Joseph Gorman stated that when his father exited 501 Frontier Ct and re-entered his vehicle, his dad, Gerard Gorman had blood on his arm that was not present when he exited the pickup.
- o Bernard Joseph Gorman then described how he backed down the street to turn around instead of pulling forward through the cul-de-sac, just as witness had described.
- Bernard Joseph Gorman stated that he then immediately drove himself and his dad back to Houston via I-35, stopping at a gas station on the way so that Gerard could wash the blood off of his arm and change clothes.
- o Bernard Joseph Gorman also admitted that he had in fact sent the aforementioned text messages retrieved from his LG phone that were received by his and admitted he had sent the text on 09/21/2014, just an approximate 38 hours prior to the murder of Anita Fox stating, "Sorry I can't talk me and him is in half murders"

Your Affiant believes Bernard Joseph Gorman did participate in the murder of Anita Fox with detailed knowledge of the offense prior to the commission of the murder at the hand

of his father Gerard Gorman. Your Affiant believes that it is evident through the deception shown by Bernard Joseph Gorman that he was attempting to hide his part in a planned murder. Your Affiant believes Bernard Joseph Gorman helped plan the murder of Anita Fox and this is evident by his involvement with "tailing" the victim with his father Gerard Gorman just days prior to the victim's murder and by driving Gerard to and from the murder scene at 501 Frontier Ct Colleyville, Texas on 09/23/2014. Your Affiant believes that Bernard Joseph Gorman helped plan the murder of Anita Fox due to the content of the text messages he sent in the days and hours prior to the murder of Anita Fox including the message from Bernard Joseph Gorman sent to his reporting, "Sorry I can't talk me and him is in half murders" and the texts indicating that Bernard Joseph Gorman knew when the offense would occur due to his knowledge of when he and his father Gerard Gorman were returning to Houston. Your Affiant believes that the murder of Anita Fox was committed by Bernard Joseph Gorman and Gerard Gorman to collect on the life insurance benefit upon the victim's death.

Affidavit for warrant # 14CP060387

Witness my signature this _	13	_day of	February	, 20 <u>15</u> .
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Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 15 day of Folymany 2015 at 8:28 o'clock A M.

Magistrate, Tarrant County, Texas

Judge <u>396</u> District Court, Tarrant County, Texas Title and Office held