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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF
INITIAL DETERMINATION
OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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To: Any Judge or the District Court or Justice of the Peace.

I, Christoph Mutschin, being duly sworn and deposed, state as follows

I am employed as a homicide detective with the Maine State Police, and am currently assigned to the Major Crimes Unit, Southern Field Division. I am a sworn law enforcement officer, a December 2021 graduate of the Basic Law Enforcement Training Program (B.L.E.T.P.), and a 2024 Maine State Police Academy. Prior to my employment with the Maine State Police, I was employed with the Farmington (ME) Police Department.

I have investigated and/or participated in the investigation of suspicious deaths and suicide/homicide investigations.

The following facts and circumstances lead this affiant to believe that Austin Doucette (DOB: 10-19-2001) committed the crime of Murder 17-A MRSA Sec. 201 in the town of Carrabassett Valley, Maine, on or about March 8, 2026.

1. On March 8, 2026, at 1953 hours Det. Cpl. Reid Bond received a call from Carrabassett Valley Police Chief Mark Lopez. At this time Det. Cpl. Bond was informed by Chief Lopez that there had been a shooting in the area of the Left Bank Condominiums which are located near Tufulio's Restaurant in Carrabassett Valley. Chief Lopez stated that he

had limited information at the time but believed a male and female were in a vehicle and headed southbound on Route 27 to meet an ambulance.

2. At 2004 hours Det. Cpl. Bond contacted the Franklin County Regional Communications Center and was informed that the victim in the shooting was a female named Makayla and it was believed she had multiple wounds to her abdomen area. Det. Cpl. Bond was informed at the time that the ambulance had the patient with them and was enroute to Franklin Memorial Hospital to meet LifeFlight. The Franklin County Communications Center advised that they believed the male involved in the incident was named Austin and advised that they did not have a last name.
3. At 2014 hours Det. Cpl. Bond received a call from Chief Lopez informing him that the Sheriff's Office had conducted a traffic stop and had the male party detained at the Maine Department of Transportation (DOT) Office in Kingfield on Route 27.
4. At 2105 hours Det. Cpl. Bond arrived at the Kingfield DOT and met with Officer Joseph Corson and Officer Benjamin Gaudet of the Carrabassett Valley Police Department. Officer Corson stated that deputies with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office had conducted a traffic stop and detained the male driver of the vehicle prior to his arrival and that the driver was now in the back seat of his patrol vehicle. At this time Det. Cpl. Bond observed a black 2014 Hyundai Elantra bearing Connecticut registration BT04939 located in the parking lot of the Kingfield DOT. While looking in the windows of the vehicle Det. Cpl. Bond noted that there were red brown stains on the rear seat of the vehicle as well as red brown stains on a receipt on the rear seat of the vehicle. Det. Cpl. Bond also observed a cellphone on the back seat of the Hyundai Elantra.
5. At 2106 hours, I arrived at the Franklin Memorial Hospital in Farmington, Maine and was informed that the female had already been transported by LifeFlight to Maine Medical Center in Portland, Maine. I was informed that Corey Morse was the lead paramedic who was transporting the female to Franklin Memorial Hospital.

6. At 2115 hours Det. Cpl. Bond spoke with Austin Doucette (DOB: 10-19-2001) while Austin was seated in the back seat of Carrabassett Valley Police Department's patrol vehicle in the parking lot of the Kingfield DOT. Austin stated that the incident occurred at a condominium that he owns located at 1215 Left Bank in Carrabassett Valley. Austin stated that the victim was his girlfriend, Makayla Rose Desantis (DOB: 05-13-2002) and that the incident was an accident. Austin stated that the firearm involved in the incident was located on the couch inside his condo. Austin stated that he didn't want to answer any further questions about what happened until he had a chance to speak with his attorney.

7. At 2115 Det. Cpl. Bond obtained the keys to the black Hyundai Elantra from Officer Corson, and Austin stated the key to his condo was attached to the same keychain. Austin stated that his phone was red in color and should be located inside the vehicle and he believed Makayla's phone was the cellphone that Det. Cpl. Bond could see on the back seat of the vehicle. Austin stated that the vehicle was registered to Makayla's mother.

8. At 2123 hours, I spoke with Corey Morse over the phone. Corey advised that he did not obtain the females name as they were immediately attempting to revive her once they were on scene. Corey advised that they worked to retrieve a pulse on the female. Corey advised that he had pulled the female out of the second row of a car, and that her head was lying on the driver side. Corey said that there was a boyfriend on scene who said that a .45 caliber had gone off. Corey said that once LifeFlight had the female in their care, she was conscious and had a pulse. Corey said that he would have to speak with his legal department before making any further statements.

9. At 2249 hours, I spoke with Maine State Police Major Crimes Unit-South Det. Sgt. Christopher Farley who was at Maine Medical Center. Det. Sgt. Farley advised that Makayla was currently in surgery and that she had what appeared to be a single gunshot wound to the chest. Det. Sgt. Farley advised that the medical staff advised that Makayla had lost a lot of blood and that her condition did not look good.

10. At 2328 hours, Det. Sgt. Farley informed me that the medical staff at Maine Medical Center had pronounced Makayla Desantis deceased as of 2301 hours.

11. At 0006 hours on March 9, 2026, Det. Sgt. Justin Huntley informed me that he had reviewed the 911 call that the Franklin County Regional Communication Center (FCRCC) received from a male caller with a phone number of 860-235-5958. Det. Sgt. Huntley learned that the 911 call was received at 1931 hours on March 8, 2026. Det. Sgt. Huntley learned that the male said, "I have a gunshot go off". Det. Sgt. Huntley stated that the male caller was very hysterical throughout the phone call as he was yelling and shouting. Det. Sgt. Huntley said that the male caller at one point said, "I can't believe I did this" and "I'm sorry babe". The male caller also mentioned a gun and mentioned that the gun accidentally went off. The male caller indicated to the dispatcher that he was driving to Farmington to get treatment for his passenger. After that, the call terminated.

12. At 1935 hours, the male caller reconnected with the FCRCC and said, "my girlfriend has a gunshot wound" and "it accidentally went off". The male caller indicated that his girlfriend was shot in the stomach/abdomen area. The male caller said, "I'm so fucked", "I would never do this", and "I don't want to go to jail". The male caller identified the victim as Makayla. Afterwards, the FCRCC coordinated a response from an ambulance to meet the male caller at a determined location. The male caller said numerous times that he was sorry and that he could not believe that he did this before the call terminated again.

13. Det. Sgt. Huntley also advised that at 2006 hours, the FCRCC received a call from Jamie Rollins (DOB: 07-20-1981), who said that she was calling in regard to her boyfriend's son, Austin Doucette. Jamie advised that Austin called his father and said that he was being chased by the cops, that something happened with his girlfriend, and that he was going to kill himself. Jamie said that she heard Austin's father tell Austin not to do it. The call was terminated once Jamie learned that Austin was stopped by the police.

14. On March 9, 2026, members of the Evidence Response Team executed a search warrant at 1215 Left Bank in Carrabassett Valley. Sgt. Lawrence Rose saw that there was a Smith and Wesson M & P .45 auto M2.0 handgun on the couch in the living room. The slide was locked back to the rear and the magazine for the firearm was on the couch next to the firearm. There were also three fired cartridge cases of Blazer .45 auto on the floor in the living room and an unfired cartridge next to the couch. Sgt. Rose observed three bullet defects in the area of the couch. One defect was on the coffee table. There were what appeared to be powder burns surrounding the area of the defect on the coffee table. The bullet perforated the wood and paper on the table. There was a corresponding defect on the floor next to the couch. The bullet penetrated the floor and caused damage to the ceiling of the apartment unit below 1215 Left Bank. Attempts were made to recover this bullet, but it was unsuccessful. The other two defects were located in pillows on the couch. One of these bullets perforated the pillow and penetrated the back of the couch. The bullet was recovered in the stuffing material in the back of the couch. The other projectile perforated a pillow and stuffing in the back of the couch then struck a wooden door behind the couch. The bullet was recovered on the floor behind the couch just below the defect.

15. On March 9, 2026, an autopsy of Makayla Desantis' body was conducted at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) by Dr. Liam Funte. This autopsy was attended by Maine State Police Major Crimes Unit-South Detective Victoria Lane. At approximately 1527 hours, Detective Lane informed me that the OCME had ruled Makayla Desantis' manner of death a homicide and that her death was caused by multiple gunshot wounds. Det. Lane informed me that the OCME observed two (2) gunshot wounds in Makayla's chest, that each appeared to enter on the right side and exit on her left side.

In light of all the above stated facts, your affiant has probable cause to believe that Austin Doucette has committed the crime of Murder in violation of 17-A MRSA Sec. 201.

I, Christoph Mutschin, depose and swear, upon information and belief, that all of the information contained within this Probable Cause Affidavit is both truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge.



Christoph Mutschin
Detective, Maine State Police

03/09/2026

Subscribed and sworn to by Detective Christoph Mutschin before me this ____ day of
March 2026.

Charles Dow

Judge, Maine District Court

PC found. Arrest Warrant to issue. No bail.

Charles Dow