

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN RE: PETITION FOR RISK PROTECTION ORDER
AGAINST {Name of Respondent} _____

VSO Case Number
VP210002242

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF VOLUSIA

I, {full legal name} Ethan Bartzer, in my position as {job title} Deputy with the {name of law enforcement officer/agency} Volusia Sheriff's Office, swear and affirm that the following facts are true and correct.

1. {Name of Respondent} _____ poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to himself/herself or others by having a firearm or any ammunition in his/her custody or control or by purchasing, possessing or receiving a firearm or any ammunition. The following specific statements, actions, or facts give rise to a reasonable fear of significant dangerous acts by the respondent:

On February, 3rd, 2021, at approximately 1736 hours, deputies responded to _____ in reference to a suicidal male. Prior to arrival, Central Dispatch advised the victim, _____ (V1) could be armed with a firearm. Upon arrival, deputies discovered _____ had left the scene prior to their arrival in a black Chevrolet Silverado bearing FL tag# _____

1 Additional pages are attached.

2. {Name of Witness} _____ provided the following information based on his/her personal knowledge:

_____ advised responding deputies that her husband, _____ has made suicidal statements in the past. She further advised on February 3rd, 2021, _____ accused her of infidelity and subsequently told her that "dealing with you makes me want to blow my brains out".

_____ Additional pages are attached.

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Deputies then spoke to ██████████ (R1), who advised her husband ██████████ has been depressed lately and has made suicidal statements in the past. ██████████ said earlier in the day ██████████ returned home and became upset with her due to allegations of infidelity. ██████████ stated ██████████ told her that, "dealing with you makes me want to blow my brains out". She stated ██████████ then left the residence and went to an unknown location. ██████████ told deputies she did not believe ██████████ would be armed with a firearm but was not sure. ██████████ did advise ██████████ owns multiple firearms and was unsure if they were all accounted for. ██████████ completed and signed a sworn written statement detailing her involvement in the incident.

██████████ son, ██████████ (O1), then responded to the scene who echoed ██████████ statements that he does not believe his father to be armed. ██████████ later advised he inventoried his father's weapons and all were accounted for except one. ██████████ advised he would take possession of his father's firearms and store them for safekeeping.

Responding deputies then BOLO'd the surrounding areas. Deputies eventually located the black Silverado traveling westbound on Taylor Road in Port Orange. Due to the threat of a firearm, deputies conducted a high-risk traffic stop on the vehicle in the 2300 Block of Tomoka Farms Road in Port Orange. Deputies successfully and safely took ██████████ into protective custody under the Florida Baker Act. ██████████ advised he would never do anything to harm himself but also advised he did have a firearm in his vehicle. Deputies were unable to locate the firearm inside the vehicle. Deputy Bartzer later transported ██████████ to Stewart Marchman ACT in Daytona Beach.

██████████ vehicle as well as his two dogs inside the vehicle were turned over to his son, ██████████

Due to the circumstances of the incident as well as a firearm being involved, Deputy Bartzer completed a Risk Protection Order and forwarded it to VSO Legal.

3. Affiant ___ is X is not aware of any existing protection order governing the respondent under any applicable statute.

_____ Known protection orders are attached

4. The quantities, types, and locations of all firearms and ammunition the petitioner believes to be in the respondent's current ownership, possession, custody or control are as follows:

Quantity	<u>UNK</u>	Type	<u>UNK</u>	Location	<u>[REDACTED]</u>
Quantity	_____	Type	_____	Location	_____
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Quantity	_____	Type	_____	Location	_____
Quantity	_____	Type	_____	Location	_____
Quantity	_____	Type	_____	Location	_____

_____ Additional pages are attached.

AFFIANT HEREBY CERTIFIES UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE STATEMENTS AND FACTS IN THIS AFFIDAVIT AND IN ANY ATTACHMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Dated: February 4th, 2021 Signature of Affiant: [Signature]

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 4th day of February, 2021, by Ethan Bartzter
Affiant's name

[Signature]
Signature of Attesting LEO Witness

SGT. A. HAIRSTON #425
Print name of Attesting LEO Witness

OR

Signature of Notary Public

(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)

Personally known or Produced Identification

(Type of Identification Produced)