PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: December 10, 2007

I, Detective J. L. Smith, DSN 120, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts herein are true.

1. I have probable cause to believe that Timothy Wayne Krajcir, AKA - Timothy Wayne McBride committed one or more criminal offenses.

2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

MARY AND BRENDA PARSH

On August 15, 1977, Mary E. and Brenda K. Parsh, a mother and daughter ages 58 and 27, were found dead in the northeast bedroom of Floyd and Mary Parsh’s residence located at 612 Koch Street in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Investigating officers found evidence of an apparent forced entry into the home through a bedroom window located on the northeast side of the house. The nude bodies of the mother and daughter were found lying side-by-side, face down on a bed with their hands tied behind their backs. Each had suffered what appeared to be one gunshot wound to the head. Based on physical evidence, witness testimony and scientific evidence, investigating officers determined the murders occurred late Friday evening, August 12, 1977.

On August 15, 1977, an autopsy was conducted on both bodies by Dr. T. A. Lovinggood, MD, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, autopsy number OPA-6-77. Lovinggood determined the cause of death to be from a gunshot wound to the head on both Mary and Brenda Parsh.
SHEILA COLE

On November 17, 1977, Sheila E. Cole, age 21, was found dead inside the restroom at the rest area located off Route 3 just south of McClure, Illinois. Investigating officers found her body lying face up on the floor in the women’s restroom, fully clothed. She had been shot twice in the head. An investigation determined Ms. Cole had been kidnapped from the Wal-Mart parking lot at 211 South Kingshighway in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on the evening of November 16, 1977.

On November 17, 1977, an autopsy was conducted by Dr. C. P. Katubig, MD, in Cairo, Illinois, autopsy number A19-77. Dr. Katubig determined the cause of death to be a gunshot wound to the base of the skull and a gunshot wound to the front of the head.

RAPE VICTIM

On January 9, 1982, a 34-year-old female Cape Girardeau, Missouri resident was raped in her home located at a residence on Themis Street in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. The investigation revealed that the masked suspect, armed with a small handgun, forced his way into the victim’s home at approximately 8:00 p.m. The victim’s 10-year-old daughter was also present inside the home. Upon entering the residence, the suspect raped and sodomized the victim. The rape included sexual intercourse. The sodomy included the man forcing the woman to put his penis in her mouth. The rapist was not married to her and the sex acts were done by forcible compulsion without her consent.
Prior to fleeing, he bound the hands of the victim and her daughter behind their backs. The victim was treated at a local hospital and a physical examination was conducted and evidence collected. The victim described the rapist as a white male, dark hair, who was a couple of inches taller than her height of 5'6". He wore a dark blue scarf of some sort over his face during the attack and he wore a sock cap on his head.

MARGIE CALL

On January 27, 1982, Margie L. Call, age 57, was found dead and partially nude on her bed in the southeast bedroom inside her residence located at 1829 Brink Street in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Investigating officers found evidence of an apparent forced entry into the residence through a bathroom window on the south side of the house. Mrs. Call was found lying face down with her hands folded across her back with ligature marks on her wrists suggesting that her hands had been bound. A wash cloth was found in her mouth. It appeared she had been strangled and/or suffocated. The crime scene was processed by evidence technicians of the Cape Girardeau Police Department and numerous items of physical evidence were collected, packaged and secured, including a foreign hair located on her neck.
("Margie Call", continued)

On January 29, 1982, an autopsy was conducted on Mrs. Call's body by Dr. Michael Graham with the St. Louis County Medical Examiner's Office, autopsy report number A82-23. Dr. Graham determined the cause of death to be asphyxia due to ligature strangulation and smothering. Other significant conditions were sexual assault and rape, blunt trauma and bondage.

MILDRED WALLACE

On June 21, 1982, Mildred Wallace, age 65, was found dead and partially nude on her bed in the northwest bedroom inside her residence located at 1218 William Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Investigating officers found evidence of an apparent forced entry into the residence and determined that Ms. Wallace had suffered an obvious gunshot wound to her head. She was found with a ligature around her neck, blindfold around her eyes and hands bound behind her back. The crime scene was processed by evidence technicians of the Cape Girardeau Police Department and numerous items of physical evidence were collected, packaged and secured, which consisted of, in part: dried red substances (believed to be blood) from the bathroom window, top of toilet lid, plastic band-aid cover, caulking from bathroom window, and Cur-Aid band-aid box. Other items of physical evidence consisted of a boot lace (apparently used as ligature), fingernail scrapings from victim, and probable blood smear from victim's right thigh.
Latent palm print impressions were also located and collected from the exterior of the north storm window as well as other locations inside and outside of the residence. These items of physical evidence were subsequently submitted to the Missouri State Highway Patrol Laboratory for forensic testing.

On June 22, 1982, an autopsy was conducted on Ms. Wallace's body by Dr. Mary Case with the St. Louis County Medical Examiner's Office, autopsy report number A82-176. Dr. Case determined that Ms. Wallace died as a result of a homicide after suffering a gunshot wound to the right temple and further found evidence of a sexual assault with laceration and abrasion of posterior vaginal fourchette.
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

In August, 2007, Detective Jimmy Smith contacted Lieutenant Paul Echols of the Carbondale, Illinois Police Department concerning their filing of murder charges against Timothy W. Krajcir, date of birth 11-28-1944, stemming from a 1982 murder in Carbondale. During a subsequent multi-jurisdictional investigation, it was determined that Krajcir had frequented Cape Girardeau during the late 1970's and early 1980's.

Lieutenant Paul Echols notified Chief Carl Kinnison and other officers that Krajcir often wore a blue bandana during his attacks upon women. Upon hearing this, Detective Jimmy Smith recalled a rape that had been referred to in the Mildred Wallace investigative file where there was some suspicion that the person who committed the rape may have also committed the Wallace murder. The rapist in the Cape Girardeau case had worn a blue scarf.

Detective Jimmy Smith continued to pursue the possibility that Krajcir might not only be a suspect in the rape, but also a suspect in the Mildred Wallace murder. In October 2007, Detective Jimmy Smith and Lieutenant Paul Echols contacted the Missouri State Highway Patrol Crime Laboratory to ensure that Krajcir's DNA had been compared to items of evidence already submitted in the Mildred Wallace murder investigation.

In early November 2007, the Cape Girardeau Police Department received notification that Krajcir's DNA could not be excluded from several items of evidence and the probability of the DNA not belonging to Krajcir was only one in 720,000.

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The Cape Girardeau Police Department also received notification from the Missouri State Highway Patrol Crime Laboratory that a latent palm print collected from the Wallace murder scene also matched Krajcir.

On November 14, 2007, Detective Jimmy Smith and Lieutenant Paul Echols interviewed Krajcir at the Big Muddy Correctional Center in Ina, Illinois. Krajcir denied that he had been to Mildred Wallace's home and denied any involvement in any murders, rapes, or other criminal activity in Cape Girardeau. During the interview, Krajcir indicated to Detective Jimmy Smith that if the Missouri prosecutor would not pursue the death penalty, he might corporate. After discussing this with Cape Girardeau County Prosecuting Attorney Morley Swingle, he initially refused to make such an offer.

After meeting with Chief Carl Kinnison and Detective Jimmy Smith of the Cape Girardeau Police Department, Prosecuting Attorney Morley Swingle decided he would consider the possibility of not pursuing the death penalty for Krajcir as long as family members of the above-listed murder victims, in which Krajcir was a suspect, agreed. Chief Carl Kinnison, Prosecuting Attorney Morley Swingle and Detective Jimmy Smith met with surviving family members in late November. All agreed they were more interested in discovering the truth than putting Krajcir, almost 63 years old at this time, to death. As a result, Prosecuting Attorney Morley Swingle offered to negotiate the death penalty in exchange for a complete, detailed, truthful confession, and that offer was conveyed to Krajcir.
On December 3, 2007, Detective Jimmy Smith and Lieutenant Paul Echols, at Krajcir’s request, re-interviewed Krajcir at the Big Muddy Correctional Center in Ina, Illinois. At that time, Krajcir admitted to a total of nine murders, giving a full and detailed videotaped confession to the above five listed murders and rapes. Krajcir admitted shooting Mary Parsh, Brenda Parsh, Sheila Cole, and Mildred Wallace. Krajcir also admitted strangling Margie Call. In reference to the Mildred Wallace and Margie Call murders, he also admitted that he had sexual intercourse with each of them by forcible compulsion, without their permission, and while he was not married to them. Krajcir gave explicit details as to the murder of each of them. In each of the five homicides (Mary Parsh, Brenda Parsh, Sheila Cole, Margie Call and Mildred Wallace) he provided facts matching the crime scene that had not been released to the public and that only the true killer would know. Krajcir further admitted that he came to Cape Girardeau from Illinois for the sole purpose of “hunting” victims. As to Sheila Cole, he admitted to abducting her from the Wal-Mart parking lot and taking her to his home in Carbondale, Illinois, where he sexually assaulted her. He then killed her at the rest area near McClure, Illinois after the rape. As to the Parsh murders, he admitted to raping Brenda Parsh and killing each of them. As to the January 9, 1982 rape, Krajcir admitted he was armed with a .25 caliber automatic pistol, and gave specific details about the rape that corroborated the victim’s account of the attack. Krajcir admitted that he often wore a blue bandana during his attacks upon women.
On December 6, 2007, Detective Jimmy Smith was notified by a criminalist with the Missouri State Highway Patrol Crime Laboratory in Jefferson City, Missouri. This criminalist stated preliminary DNA testing had been completed on the foreign hair removed from the neck of Margie Call. Preliminary results of this foreign hair matched Krajcir’s DNA. The criminalist stated the preliminary DNA testing had also been completed on the physical evidence relating to the January 9, 1982 rape. Preliminary results of this physical evidence matched Krajcir’s DNA.

3. **For the issuance of a warrant in a misdemeanor case, also complete the following:**

(a) I believe that the defendant will not appear in court in response to a criminal summons because ____; or

(b) I believe that the defendant poses [Insert one or all of the following.]

(1) a danger to a crime victim because ____; or

(2) a danger to the community or to any other person because ____.

Det. J. L. Smith, DSN 120

*Printed Name*

*Signature*