

PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT		FORM On View (PC Arrest) _____ PURPOSE Taken into Custody (Warrant/Capias Arrest) _____	Capias Request <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____ Summoned/Cited (NTA) _____	JUVENILE YES _____ NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____ Referral _____ Civil Citation _____
Arresting Agency ORI FL0050000		Arresting Agency Name BREVARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE		Arresting Agency Case/Arrest Number 2020-00215221
FDLE (SID) Number		FBI Number	DOC Number	Transport Time
Location of Arrest (Include Name of Business)		City		
Offense Date OR Date Range 06/27/2020		Arrest Date / Time		Charge Type (Check as many as apply) Misdemeanor _____ Traffic _____ Ordinance _____
Name (Last, First, Middle) Edwards Kathleen Princess		Alias and Type		Date of Birth 08/30/1985
Race 2		Ethnicity Unknown	Sex Female	Height 5' 4
Scars, Marks, Tattoos, Unique Physical Features (Location, Type, Description)		Weight 160	Eye Color Brown	Hair Color Black
Local Address (Street, Apt. Number)		City, State, Zip		Phone/Type (include area code)
Permanent Address (Street, Apt. Number) or Parent's Name if Juvenile		City, State, Zip		Phone/Type (include area code)
Business Address (Name, Street) or School if Juvenile		City, State, Zip		Phone/Type (include area code)
Driver's License State / Number / Type E-363-515-85-810-0 / FL 5-E		Social Security Number*	INS Number	Place of Birth
Residence Type: City _____ County <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Florida _____ Out of State _____		Mark All that Apply (Y, N, Unk) Homeless <input type="checkbox"/> Sex Offender <input type="checkbox"/> Gang Affiliation <input type="checkbox"/>		Suspected of Using (Y, N, Unk) Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Computer/Handheld Device _____
PARENT Driver's License State / Number / Type		PARENT Social Security Number	Juvenile Civil Citation Not Referred Explanation	
*Collection of social security numbers from an arrested individual is to verify identity and may be shared with other law enforcement agencies.				
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Charge Description Manslaughter Child		Counts 1	F.S. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statute / Ordinance Number 782.07.3	Reclassifier
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The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe and does believe that the above named Defendant committed the following violation of law				
On the 27 day of June , 2020 at 9:49 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AM _____ PM (Specifically include facts constituting cause for arrest)				
On June 27, 2020, the Brevard County Sheriff's Office began an investigation involving				
In accordance with F.S. 938.27, I hereby request reimbursement of investigative costs consisting of _____ hrs @ \$ _____ per hr and/or _____ miles @ _____ per mile for a total of \$ _____				
Affidavit Attached: Yes _____ No _____ Continue for: Narrative _____ Charges _____				
Mandatory Appearance in Court		Location (Court and Address)		
		Division #		
		Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ Time _____ AM _____ PM		
I AGREE TO APPEAR AT THE TIME AND PLACE DESIGNATED TO ANSWER THE OFFENSE CHARGED OR TO PAY THE FINE SUBSCRIBED. I UNDERSTAND THAT SHOULD I WILLFULLY FAIL TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COURT AS REQUIRED BY THIS NOTICE TO APPEAR, THAT I MAY BE HELD IN CONTEMPT OF COURT AND A WARRANT FOR MY ARREST OR A TAKE INTO CUSTODY ORDER SHALL BE ISSUED.				
Signature of Defendant / Juvenile		Signature of Juvenile's Parent/Custodian		Release to: (Name)
				Date
				Time
Hold for Other Agency		Verified By:		Do Not Bond Out Reason
Name:				Hold for 1st Appearance (Adults Only)
I swear/affirm the above and attached statements are true and correct <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on 03/16/2021		Officer's/Complainant's Signature Electronically Signed		ID# 0627
Sworn and Subscribed before me, the undersigned authority this 17 day of MARCH		Notary Signature <i>Michael Spadofora</i>		Officer's/Complainant's Name (Printed) Troy Deavers
		Notary Name (Printed) MICHAEL SPADOFORA		Notary/Law Enforcement Officer in Performance of Official Duties. Personally Known _____ ID _____
				Homicide

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the drowning death of 18-month-old Gregory Edwards Jr. The death occurred at his residence, identified as 4029 Gardenwood Circle, Grant, Brevard County, Florida. Gregory Jr's mother, Kathleen Edwards, and maternal grandmother, Margarita Bonilla, were identified as being the supervising adults at the residence, when the drowning occurred. On October 1, 2020, the Brevard County Sheriff's Office submitted the investigative findings of this case to the Brevard State Attorney's Office, 18th Judicial Circuit, for review. After careful review of the evidence and facts of the case, it was determined there was substantial probable cause to charge Kathleen Princess Edwards with Aggravated Manslaughter of a Child.

This investigation has revealed that on June 27, 2020, at approximately 9:49 a.m., Kathleen Edwards used her cellular telephone and called emergency 911, from her residence at 4029 Gardenwood Circle, Grant, to report that her 18-month-old son, Gregory Edwards Jr., fell into the pool and was later located unresponsive. Kathleen stated to the BCFR emergency 911 dispatcher that Gregory Jr., was in the water for what she estimated was approximately ten minutes before being found and removed from the water.

Kathleen stated to BCSO Deputy Chad Massolini that she stopped performing CPR on Gregory Jr. for fear of breaking a rib prior to the deputy arriving.

Gregory Jr. was transported to Sebastian River Medical Center (SRMC) where he received advanced medical treatment. Gregory Jr. was later pronounced deceased on July 2, 2020, at 4:05 p.m. On July 3, 2020, an autopsy was conducted on Gregory Edwards Jr, by Dr. Raman Baldzizhar of the District 19

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Medical Examiner's Office, in which the cause of death was determined to be "drowning."

Evidence demonstrated that only two adults, Margarita Bonilla and Kathleen Edwards, were at the residence during the time period Gregory Jr. drowned.

During a recorded conversation with FTO Andres Nunez while at the SRMC, Kathleen described that prior to Gregory Jr. drowning, she was having a conversation with her mother, Ms. Bonilla. The conversation consisted of Ms. Bonilla insisting Kathleen have the pool fence up around the pool to prevent children from falling into the pool and potentially drowning. Kathleen stated to FTO Nunez, "I still don't listen to my parents." Kathleen stated she thought Gregory Jr. and Katalena were inside the house. Kathleen then stated she saw the pool door open and only saw Katalena and not Gregory Jr. As alleged by Kathleen, approximately ten minutes later, Gregory Jr. was found unresponsive in the pool. Kathleen then stated that she has a screen fence that goes around the pool and she "usually" has the neighbor kids (never identified) put it up. Kathleen stated she told the unknown neighbor kids not to put the fence up the day before.

The Brevard County Sheriff's Office authored and presented a search warrant to the State Attorney's Office, which approved the warrant that was presented to the Honorable Circuit Judge Charles Crawford of the 18th Judicial Circuit, who authorized the search warrant.

The crime scene reflected that the child safety fence that was possessed and is designed to surround the pool was not being utilized. This screen fence was located in a shed in the backyard of Kathleen Edwards'

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residence with several items and debris around and on top of it. This is consistent with the numerous statements received from family and friends, who all stated they have never seen a safety security fence or safety measures in place around the pool to protect children from drowning. This is in direct contradiction with Kathleen's statement to FTO Nunez about recently taking the fence down so neighborhood kids could swim in the pool.

Neither Kathleen nor Ms. Bonilla provided a full account to the Sheriff's Office of how Gregory Jr. drowned. Interviews with other witnesses were completed in an attempt to identify the factual circumstances relating to the time period prior to and following the drowning, which directly resulted in Gregory Jr.'s death. During these interviews it was discovered that Kathleen provided inconsistent details of the events to several individuals leading up to and following the drowning.

DCF Intake number 2020-181671-01 interviews reflected Ms. Bonilla and Kathleen were inside the kitchen area of the residence. It was noted that Ms. Bonilla saw Katalena and Gregory Jr. go into the back yard area. She clarified by saying the children were in the grassy area of the yard, not in the pool area, but near the outdoor playset. They (children) had opened the back screen door (*Both pool screen doors were observed with elevated door latch that measured approximately 58 inches in height*) and walked into the yard. At one point, Ms. Bonilla looked up and only observed Katalena in the back yard.

DCF Intake number 2020-181671-01 interviews reflected Kathleen and Ms. Bonilla both submitted

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voluntarily to on-site drug tests. Following the death of Gregory Jr., Kathleen Edwards tested positive for the presence of THC by a DCF administered drug test. *(Kathleen is prescribed medical marijuana.)*

Kathleen told Cleda Edwards that three-year-old Kataleena must have opened the residence slider door and let Gregory Jr. out into the pool area. When Kathleen could not find Gregory Jr., Kathleen ran to the neighbor's residence, Ryan Slingsby and Jessica Slingsby, and knocked on their residence door. Ms. Slingsby later stated that she was home the entire morning and did not hear any knock on the door, nor did her dogs alert to activity at the door.

Kathleen told Garriel Elgin that Kataleena must have figured out how to open up the gate to the pool. Mr. Elgin recalled Kathleen saying she opened the sliding glass door to let Gregory Jr. and Kataleena go outside. Kathleen said Kataleena opened up the fence to the pool and that's how Gregory Jr. must have entered the pool. (This is in direct contradiction of her own statement about the safety fence. Kathleen stated to FTO Nunez the safety fence was not up. Additionally, the safety fence was located in a shed in the backyard with items and debris around and on top of the child safety security fencing.)

Kathleen told Jonathan Pruden that she and Ms. Bonilla were inside the residence, while Kataleena was outside playing. Mr. Pruden was not able to provide details of where Gregory Jr. was at prior to the drowning. Kathleen and Ms. Bonilla could not find Gregory Jr. inside or outside the residence. He advised that either Kathleen or Ms. Bonilla went to a neighbor's residence, but still could not find Gregory Jr.

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Kathleen told Brian Torres that she believed Gregory Jr. and Katalena were playing in the backyard by the playground. At some point that morning, Kathleen could not find Gregory Jr. Kathleen and Ms. Bonilla looked inside and outside the residence, but could not find him. Kathleen stated she found Gregory Jr. in the pool and pulled him out. Kathleen then called 911 and began performing CPR.

Ms. Bonilla stated to Agent Wheeler and Agent Wayne Simock that she believed Gregory Jr. was with Katalena in the backyard by the playground because Gregory Jr. was able to walk. According to DCF, the intake case noted (2020-181671-01) Ms. Bonilla advised the only way Gregory Jr. could have got back inside the screen was to crawl through the dog door (screen enclosure door). Since Gregory Jr. wasn't found outside, they started looking inside the house for him. After searching inside, Ms. Bonilla thought to herself, "I'm not crazy, I saw him outside." As a result, she went outside to look again. She advised, "Something told me to look under the pool tarp." Ms. Bonilla looked under the tarp and saw Gregory Jr. floating in the pool water and he wasn't moving. Gregory Jr. was removed from the pool. (It is unclear who removed Gregory Jr. from the pool.) Ms. Bonilla placed Gregory Jr. on his back and started doing chest compressions. Gregory Jr.'s eyes opened and he spit water out. Ms. Bonilla and Kathleen were hesitant to call 911 due to their previous interactions with law enforcement, but Kathleen ultimately called 911.

Neighbors, Mr. and Ms. Slingsby, provided statements that they have, on occasions, observed Katalena

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and Gregory Jr. unsupervised while outside of their residence. Mr. Slingsby stated he has had to recover the children from the roadway so they would not get hit by a vehicle. Mr. Slingsby also has observed Gregory Jr. by himself on top of the outdoor playset. Mr. Slingsby stated concerns about Kathleen's ability to properly supervise her children.

Interviews documented other family members expressed similar concerns. In December of 2018, Nicole Treasure was traveling in a vehicle with Kathleen after Gregory Sr. was taken off of life-support. While driving from the hospital to Kathleen's residence, Nicole and Kathleen spoke. During their conversation, Kathleen told Nicole, "I didn't want these kids. Greg wanted them. Now I'm stuck here with these kids by myself."

The Department of Children and Families advised they have investigated Kathleen Edwards previously.

DCF complaint 2019-345411-01 was received on October 30, 2019, at 3:41 a.m., DCF received an on-line referral in reference to inadequate supervision of minor children. This is a summary of that report: An anonymous person submitted an on-line complaint, advising Kathleen Edwards has left her two minor children, 2-year-old, Katalena and 10-month-old Gregory Jr., unsupervised while she was "sick" or under the influence of medical marijuana. The children were said to be left in soiled diapers and clothing. There have been times when Kathleen was under the influence of medical marijuana and she was unaware of the children's whereabouts. Kathleen was said to frequently drive while under the influence of medical

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marijuana. Kathleen made many comments relating to suicide. The anonymous source continued by saying Kathleen's children usually wake up around 7:00 a.m. and are taken to daycare where they stay for 8 hours. On the weekends, the children are at home with Kathleen. Kathleen was said to become upset when the children are sick and can't go to daycare. DCF initiated a 24-hour response to the Edwards' residence located at 4029 Gardenwood Circle, Grant-Valkaria, Brevard County, Florida. The report indicated the focus of the investigation was Kathleen, Gregory Jr. and Katalena.

The Child Protection Team of Brevard (CPT) Staffing Report for Abuse Report#: 2020-181671 was prepared and provided a conclusion that Kathleen and Ms. Bonilla both neglected to adequately supervise Gregory Jr. and Katalena. There was also evidence supporting that Kathleen failed to ensure that proper safety features were in place, which might have contributed further into Gregory Jr.'s drowning and death. The CPT Child Maltreatment Assessment Records Review, was prepared by Doctor Vi Ngo (CPT Pediatrician) who documented that Gregory Jr.'s death was a result of "Abuse/Neglect" and "Inadequate Supervision." Dr. Ngo additionally stated, "Gregory (Jr) suffered submersion injuries and died as a result of the injuries. His death could have been prevented if he had appropriate supervision around water."

Based upon the interviews and evidence documented during the death investigation of Gregory Jr., Kathleen Edwards' inability to adequately supervise and protect the children was present as related specifically to the day in question of Gregory Jr.'s death and historically over the time frame of the prior DCF investigation.

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Defendant / Juvenile Name (Last, First, Middle) Edwards Kathleen Princess	OBTS Number
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Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle)	Race	Sex	Date of Birth/Age	Juvenile (Y or N)
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In conclusion of the Brevard County Sheriff's Office death investigation, Child Protection Team of Brevard findings, and preliminary DCF investigation, Kathleen Edwards neglected to adequately supervise Gregory Jr. and Katalena.

A passive intervention is the use of an effective barrier between children and a hazard such as a pool. It has been found that surrounding private swimming pools with safety barriers could prevent unsupervised children from entering a pool, which significantly reduces their risk of drowning. Although Kathleen had knowledge of the safety fence, she knowingly and intentionally chose not to use it. Even after being told by her mother, Ms. Bonilla, Kathleen still failed to use the safety device and stated to FTO Nunez, that she does not listen to her parents. Kathleen knowingly failed to ensure that the appropriate safety features were in place, which combined with the failure to supervise the children, directly contributed to Gregory Jr.'s drowning and death.

Case report and enclosures have been submitted to the State Attorney's Office.

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