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STATE OF OKLAHOMA)
County of TULSA) ss.

SALLY HOWE SMITH, COURT CLERK
STATE OF OKLA. TULSA COUNTY

The undersigned, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, upon oath deposes and states as follows:

I am a Police Officer with the city of Tulsa assigned to the Detective Division Child Crisis Unit. I have read certain official investigative reports and statements of witnesses regarding the above named Defendant and, from the statements and reports it appears as follows:

On November 4th 2010, [redacted] a 19 month old female was in the joint care and custody of Meredith Howard, the Defendant, who is employed as a teachers aide at John Knox Child Development Center which is located at 2929 E 31st, in the City and County of Tulsa, State of Oklahoma.

On November 4th, 2010, that while at this location the Defendant caused [redacted] injury by penetrating [redacted] with her finger.

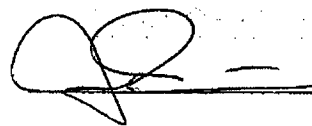
[redacted] a Pediatrician who specializes in child abuse, examined [redacted] after being admitted to St Francis Hospital on November 4th, 2010. [redacted] observed active bleeding from a laceration to the [redacted] and determined that surgery would be necessary. [redacted] notified SANE Nurse [redacted] who completed a sexual assault exam prior to the surgery. [redacted] determined the child's injury, which is extensive, is consistent with penetrating [redacted] trauma. [redacted] stated that "due to the lack of history, this is mostly likely inflicted trauma and consistent with child sexual abuse".

On November 4th, 2010, during [redacted] surgery, it was discovered that the child had sustained [redacted] trauma, approximately 1.5cm, superficially and deep to the [redacted], but not through the [redacted]. Further examination demonstrated that she had a significant clot within the [redacted] and a laceration that continued up into the left lateral aspect of the [redacted] posterior to the [redacted] approximately 5cm. The surgeons repaired the lacerations.

On November 5th, 2010 Detective Kathy Still and I interviewed the Defendant who stated that she had taken the child from the gym because she needed a diaper change. That she was alone with the child in the classroom. That she stated that [redacted] was squirming when she was changing her diaper. That when she used the diaper to remove (wipe) some of the "poop" from the child's body she stated "I accidently...my first knuckle of my ring finger slipped into [redacted] body." The Defendant stated that she then noticed that the child was bleeding. [redacted] has stated that [redacted] injuries are not consistent with the above stated accidental insertion.

The Defendant is identified as Meredith Allison Howard, a white female. She is 5'01" in height, 110 pounds, with blonde hair and blue eyes. She has a date of birth of [redacted], and a social security number of [redacted]. She has an address [redacted] in [redacted] Oklahoma [redacted].

BEFORE, affiant prays this Honorable Court to issue a warrant for the arrest of the within named Defendant, that he/she/they be brought before a magistrate and held to answer for the offense(s) of



AFFIANT

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8 day of November, 2010 My commission expires 9/19/11

Kathleen L...
Notary Public # 07008739

STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Meredith Howard

Case No. _____

Defendant(s).

CF-2010-4383

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The undersigned, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, upon oath, depose and states as follows: SALLY POWERS, DISTRICT COURT CLERK
STATE OF OKLA. TULSA COUNTY

1. She is a detective for the Tulsa Police Department.
2. She has read certain official investigative reports and statements of witnesses regarding the above named Defendant(s) and, from these statements and reports it appears as follows:
 - A) That on 12/8/08 the defendant Physically Abused a 8 month old child in her care at a church affiliated daycare. That the defendant, an employee of the daycare, broke with victim's leg while caring for him. That this occurred at 4102 East 61st Street in the City of Tulsa, Tulsa County, State of Oklahoma.
 - B) That on 12/8/08 the victim was taken to the Kirk of the Hills mother's day out program at 4102 E. 61st Street. That the victim was left in the care of workers at the daycare, including the defendant. That on 12/8/08 when the victim was picked up from the daycare in the care of the defendant, he was extremely fussy and was crying as if he were in pain. That he was subsequently taken to his pediatrician and then the Hospital where he was diagnosed with a spiral fracture of the left femur.
 - C) That the treating physician, [REDACTED] documented that a femur fracture of this nature was extremely concerning as the victim does not have the developmental capability to produce the force necessary to break the femur in this manner.
 - D) That Child Crisis Detectives conducted interviews with the victim's parents and the Kirk of the Hills daycare personnel to establish a timeline of events to determine when the injury occurred. That during these interviews, it was determined that the defendant was the primary caregiver for the victim on 12/8/08.
 - E) That on 2/25/09 Det. S. Murphy spoke with the defendant via telephone and the defendant admitted that she thought she had broken the victim's leg when she "sat him down" really hard when he was being fussy. That Det. Murphy asked for and was granted consent to go to the defendant's residence so that the defendant could show him in person what she had done to the victim. That the defendant stated that on 12/8/08 the 8 month old victim was "fussy" and she became frustrated with him. That she sat the victim down with great force and that is when his leg was broken. The defendant stated that the victim's cry changed after she forced him to sit on the ground.
 - F) That the defendant is identified as Meredith Howard with a DOB [REDACTED], a social security number [REDACTED] and a last known address of [REDACTED] State of Oklahoma. The defendant is a white female, with Blonde hair and Blue eyes.

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WHEREFORE, Affiant prays this Honorable Court to issue a warrant for the arrest of the within named Defendant(s), that he/she/they may be brought before a magistrate and held to answer for the offense(s) of

DK Bishop
AFFIANT

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of November, 2010.

My commission expires 9/19/11
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Notary Public #07008739

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On this 9 day of NOV. 2010 the above styled and numbered cause came on for hearing before me, the undersigned Judge of the District Court of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, upon the Affidavit of DET. D. K. BISHOP requesting that a warrant of arrest be issued for the within named Defendant(s), that he/she/they might be arrested and held to answer for the offense(s) of Child Abuse by Injury

Based upon said Affidavit I am satisfied and do hereby find that the offense(s) of SAME

has/have been committed and that there is probable cause to believe the within named Defendant(s) has/have committed said offense(s) and that a warrant of arrest should issue.

Dated this 9 day of NOV. 2010.

AM
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Further Your Affiant Sayeth Not

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