## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

COURT CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_AGENCY CASE NO. 201946000138
Offense(s): FSS 827.071 (5) (a) - Sexual Performance by a Child: Possession (F3)

⊠ Completed as eWarrant

STATE OF FLORIDA,
Plaintiff,
VS.

CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL BLACKMER

**ADDRESS: 710 Myrtle Cove Court, Apartment 103** 

Orlando, Florida, 32825

Race/Sex: White / Male

Height/Weight: 5' 10" / 215 lbs

DOB: 03/10/1972

Social Security Number:

## APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST WARRANT

## STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ORANGE

COMES NOW THE AFFIANT, Detective David Graham, ID #56, a sworn law enforcement officer of the Winter Park Police Department, who, by first being duly sworn, states in a written and sworn Application and Affidavit for Arrest Warrant that there is probable cause to believe that on/between January 31, 2019 in Orange County, Florida, the Defendant, CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL BLACKMER, born on 03/10/1972 did in violation of Florida State Statute unlawfully commit the following offense(s): FSS 827.071 (5) (a) - Sexual Performance by a Child: Possession (F3).

On January 28, 2019, Sergeant L. Suepat of the Winter Park Police Department was contacted by Witness 1 who wanted to remain anonymous, regarding an incident involving inappropriate electronic messages and images that were sent from the Winter Park High School Band Director, and Defendant Christopher Michael Blackmer (W/M, DOB 03/10/1972) and another former Winter Park High School student. The Winter Park High School is located at 2100 Summerfield Road, Winter Park, Orange County, Florida 32792. This address is within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Winter Park Police Department. A majority of the student body at Winter Park High School are under the age of 18.

Sergeant Suepat spoke with Witness 1 who agreed to provide content of the inappropriate messages she had received from a third party via email. Sergeant Suepat later received an email

which included inappropriate conversations between the band director and former student. On January 30, 2019, Witness 3 a Winter Park High School student met with the Winter Park High School, School Resource Officer Branch, in regards to the aforementioned conversations. Witness 3 emailed SRO Branch forty-five (45) screen shots from a conversation on the social media app Instagram, which began on May 16, 2018 until January 2019. Instagram is accessible through phones, tablets, computers, and other electronic devices.

These screen shots showed a conversation between an individual identified as Witness 2 and username cblackmer72, believed to belong to Defendant Blackmer. During the chat in January 2019, Defendant Blackmer shared three (3) images of a former student, herein identified as alleged Victim 1, which he claimed he obtained through the social media platform Tumblr. Two (2) of these images contain a white male standing in front of a door with no visible clothes on from his shoulders to his thigh, with the penis covered by the males two hands. The other image contains a white male holding an erect penis with the waistband of a black, brown, and white pair of boxers hanging around the upper knees. Defendant Blackmer states that the image was from a few years ago. Witness 2 advised Sergeant Suepat that based upon the information provided by Defendant Blackmer regarding when he obtained these images and when Witness 2 was attending the Winter Park High School, he believed the images to be when the individual was a juvenile based on their knowledge of the age of the person seen in the photograph.

On January 31, 2019, your Affiant learned that Defendant Blackmer was scheduled to teach a class at the Winter Park Ninth Grade Center located at 528 Huntington Avenue, Winter Park, Florida 32789. This location is within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Winter Park Police Department.

Sergeant Suepat and your Affiant traveled to the Winter Park Ninth Grade Center in order to conduct a consensual interview with Defendant Blackmer. Upon arriving at the Winter Park Ninth Grade Center, Sergeant Suepat located Defedant Blackmer's black, Kia Forte bearing Florida tag 730QAQ parked on the south side of Clarendon Avenue. While looking at Defendant Blackmer's vehicle in plain view, Sergeant Suepat observed an Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) laptop with an attached external hard drive in the front passenger seat. Prior to the bell dismissing class, Defendant Blackmer exited the south side of the Winter Park Ninth Grade Center and began walking towards his vehicle. Sergeant Suepat made contact with Defendant Blackmer prior to him reaching his vehicle and requested to speak with him. Defendant Blackmer agreed; however, he rolled up some paper in his hands and tossed them into his vehicle. Sergeant Suepat then introduced Defendant Blackmer to your Affiant in order to conduct a consensual interview. After introducing Defendant Blackmer to your Affiant, she returned to the defendant's vehicle and now observed, in plain view, a cell phone on top of the OCPS laptop. Sergeant Suepat advised the cell phone was not inside the vehicle when she first observed the OCPS laptop and attached external hard drive prior to contacting Defendant Blackmer. It was believed that the cellular phone was within the paper and thrown into the vehicle.

On January 31, 2019, your Affiant interviewed Defendant Blackmer at the Winter Park Ninth Grade Center. Prior to starting this interview, Defendant Blackmer was advised that he was free to leave at any time and was not detained by your Affiant. Defendant Blackmer agreed to speak regarding the allegations of sending inappropriate communications. During the interview,

Defendant Blackmer advised that he was the band director of the Winter Park High School and had acted in this capacity for approximately the last six (6) years (2013-2019). Furthermore, Defendant Blackmer confirmed that he had an Instagram account and that his username was cblackmer72. Defendant Blackmer confirmed that he did have a conversation with Witness 2. During that conversation, they spoke regarding former students of Winter Park High School. Defendant Blackmer stated that during the conversation he mentioned that he had seen photographs of the alleged victim through the social media platform Tumblr approximately a year ago. Furthermore, Defendant Blackmer claimed that neither he nor Witness 2 shared any pictures regarding the allege victim or any other inappropriate pictures during their conversation on Instagram.

Post interview, your Affiant met with Defendant Blackmer next to his black, Kia Forte bearing Florida tag 730QAQ. Your Affiant explained to Defendant Blackmer that due to the allegations made that his vehicle was detained pending a search warrant. During this conversation, Defendant Blackmer requested his wallet and phone, which he stated was in the car. Additionally, Defendant Blackmer requested to get his OCPS laptop and hard drive, which were in the car, in order to give it back to OCPS per their request. Due to the pending search warrant, no items were retrieved from the vehicle at that time. Defendant Blackmer's vehicle was towed to the Winter Park Police Department (WPPD) located at 500 North Virigina Avenue, Winter Park, Florida 32789.

On January 31, 2018, the Honorable Judge Eric DuBois of the Ninth Judicial Circuit issued a search warrant for Defendant Blackmer's black, Kia Forte bearing Florida tag 730QAQ located at the Winter Park Police Department (WPPD). During the execution of the search warrant, an Apple iPhone Serial #GHKX530XJCL8, an HP ProBook x360 Convertible Serial #5CG7212Y3G belonging to OCPS, and a WD My Passport hard drive Serial #WXW1E87999LV belonging to OCPS were located inside the black, Kia Forte bearing Florida tag 730QAQ, registered to Defendant Blackmer.

The Apple iPhone Serial #GHKX530XJCL8, HP ProBook x360 Convertible Serial #5CG7212Y3G, and WD My Passport hard driver Serial #WXW1E87999LV were collected as evidence and transported to the Winter Park Police Department Property and Evidence Division. It is believed that these electronic devices belong to Defendant Blackmer and obtain information, images, messages, location data, and a time of sequence related to this investigation.

On February 12, 2019, the Honorable Judge Eric DuBois of the Ninth Judicial Circuit issued a search warrant for Defendant Blackmer's Apple iPhone Serial #GHKX530XJCL8, an HP ProBook x360 Convertible Serial #5CG7212Y3G, and a WD My Passport hard drive Serial #WXW1E87999LV. Furthermore, Judge DuBois issued a search warrant for Defendant Blackmer's Instagram account under username cblacker72. On this same day, Facebook was served with the search warrant for Defendant Blackmer's Instagram account.

On February 15, 2019, the search warrant was executed on Defendant Blackmer's Apple iPhone bearing serial # GHKX530XJCL8. While reviewing the content of this device for Obscene Communication: Electronic Transmission of Child Pornography, it was determined that Defendant Blackmer's Apple iPhone to be a model X, which was released in November of 2017. Furthermore, a video titled IMG\_0225.MP4 was located on Defendant Blackmer's phone. This

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video is approximately thirty-nine (39) minutes long and depicts two (2) males engaging in sexual acts. The video appears to be a compilation of five (5) separate videos depicting the same two (2) males during each occurrence. The five (5) vidoes appear to occur at different times due to the both males wearing different clothing at five different times during the compilation. One of the males in the video was immediately identified as Defendant Blackmer based on your Affiant's interaction with him during an hour long interview on January 31, 2019. The second male appears to be either a , between sixteen (16) and eighteen (18) years of age, herein identified as Victim 2. During the video compilation, Defendant Blackmer is observed performing fallatio on Victim 2's penis, as well as digitally penetrating Victim 2's anus and using his hands to stimulate Victim 2's penis. During the video, Victim 2 is observed , indicating that he may be a high school . No insignia was observed on the during the video, which could possibly indicate Victim 2's school.

Furthermore, during the review of Defendant Blackmer's Apple iPhone X, multiple thumbnails of this video compilation are observed on the device. Two (2) thumbnails titled IMG\_0202.PNG and IMG\_0203.PNG depict the third occurrence of the video compilation. These thumbnails show a modified date of August 1, 2014. Based upon your Affiant's conversation with an FDLE Forensic Examiner, files containing modify dates may act as file origination dates for files on electronic devices.

On March 1, 2019, Facebook provided a PDF containing four thousand one hundred and seventy-seven (1477) pages of Instagram business records from Defendant Blackmer's Instagram account under username cblackmer72. Upon reviewing these business records, it was learned that in November of 2018, Defendant Blackmer was having a conversation with an individual identified by the username During this conversation, username states that "tinder has just diappointed me time and time again". Defendant Blackmer responds by asking "Any WP guys on there", believed to be referencing Winter Park High School students, former and current. states "not that I've seen" and "if there was you'd be the first person I told" and "how about you?". Defendant Blackmer then replied "Just that from colonial", believed to be in reference to Colonial High School.

On March 6, 2019, your Affiant traveled to Colonial High School and met with a coach from the school, herein identified as Witness 4. During this meeting, your Affiant showed Witness 4 a still image of Victim 2's face from the video compilation of sexual acts between Victim 2 and Defendant Blackmer. Upon reviewing the image, Witness 4 was able to immediately identify the individual by name. Witness 4 provided a sworn statement in which he stated that Victim 2 was a student at Colonial High School and that he knew him from participating on the during his sophmore, junior, and senior years. Witness 43 stated he believed that Victim 1 graduated in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Information was obtained regarding Victim 2, which indicates his date of birth of XXXX xx, 1997.

Due to the fact that Victim 2 was born on XXXXX xx, 1997 and the thumbnails titled IMG\_0202.PNG and IMG\_0203.PNG from the video compilation show a modify date of August 1, 2014, your Affiant believes it is reasonable that Victim 2 was between sixteen (16) and seventeen (17) years of age at the time one of the videos was made from the video compilation of

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the Defendant performing sexual acts on Victim 2 and filming it. The Defendant would have been approximately 42 years old at the time he committed and filed the sexual act on the minor.

Your Affiant possesses sworn statements from Witness 2 and Witness 3 attesting to the initial Instagram conversation between Witness 2 and Defendant Blackmer.

Your Affiant possesses screen shots of the Instagram conversation between Witness 2 and Defendant Blackmer.

Your Affiant possesses a sworn audio statement from Defendant Blackmer regarding this investigation and his conversation with Witness 2.

Your Affiant possesses an Apple iPhone Serial #GHKX530XJCL8 belonging to Defendant Blackmer, an HP ProBook x360 Convertible Serial #5CG7212Y3G belonging to OCPS, and a WD My Passport hard drive Serial #WXW1E87999LV belonging to OCPS.

Your Affiant possesses a forensic extraction of Defendant Blackmer's Apple iPhone X bearing serial #GHKX530XJCL8. In this extraction contains a video file titled IMG\_0225.MP4 depicting Defendant Blackmer engaging in sexual acts with Victim 2. During the video, Victim 2 is observed

Additionally, this extraction contains thumbnail files titled IMG\_0202.PNG and IMG\_0203.PNG, which are still images from video file titled IMG\_0225.MP4. These thumbnail files contain a modify date of August 1, 2014.

Your Affiant possesses business records from Instagram showing a conversation between Defendant Blackmer and username in which Defendant Blackmer mentions hooking up with a from Colonial, believed to be Colonial High School

Your Affiant possesses a sworn statement from Witness 4 attesting to the identificiation of Victim 2 who was depicted in the video engaged in sexual acts with the defendant.

Your Affiant possesses a copy of a birth certificate of Victim 2 from xxxxxxxxx, which indicates the date of birth to be xxxxxxxx xx, 1997.

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The Defendant committed the aforementioned Sexual Performance by a Child: Possession, when he knowingly and unlawfully possessed a video on his Apple iPhone X bearing serial #GHKX530XJCL8 of Victim 2, who was either sixteen (16) or (17) at the time of one of the videos and Defendant Blackmer was approximately forty-three (43) years old.

Based upon my investigation, your Affiant has probable cause to believe that the Defendant, **CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL BLACKMER**, committed the aforementioned violations of law and requests the issuance of an arrest warrant.

Detective David A. Graham	
Affiant	
Detective David Graham, ID#56	

**SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED** before me in the County and State aforesaid this 3 day of April, 2019.

Sergeant Lisa Suepat/#186

Law Enforcement Officer