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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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ARREST AFFIDAVITS THAT HAVE A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER WILL BE REDACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING FLORIDA STATE STATUTES:

- **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS- F.S. 119.071(5)(a)**
- **MARSY'S LAW- FLORIDA CONSTITUTION ARTICLE 1, SECTION 16(B)(5)**

SOME ARREST AFFIDAVITS WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL REDACTIONS AND THOSE AFFIDAVITS WILL BE MARKED ACCORDINGLY.



ADMINISTRATIVE	 INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARREST AFFIDAVIT 4055 41st Ave Vero Beach, Florida 32960				Case Report # 2026-00099267 Booking # 26-2943			
	☒ Arrest Affidavit ☐ Juvenile Arrest Affidavit ☐ Juvenile Civil Citation ☐ Juvenile Complaint Affidavit							
	Charge Type, check ☒ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ Ordinance as many as apply ☐ Traffic Felony ☐ Traffic Misdemeanor ☐ Other				Court Case # OBTS # 3101162985			
	Location of Arrest 4055 41ST AVENUE VERO BEACH, FL 32960				Location of Offense 4055 41ST AVENUE VERO BEACH FL 32960-			
Defendant Adult / Juvenile	Date of Arrest 09/15/2026	Time of Arrest 16:35	Date of Offense 09/14/2026	Fingerprinted ☐ Identification Only ☐ AFIS ☐ Criminal	Fingerprinted By <i>Kodna</i>			
	Name Adult - COLE, TANEISHA LASHAE				Alias			
	Race Black	Sex Fema	Height	Weight	Eye Color BRO	Hair Color BLK	Email Address	
	Scars, Marks, Tattoos				School Child Attends			
Co Def	Local Address (street, Apt. Number) HOMELESS VERO BEACH, FL 32960-				Phone (772)564-0202		Veteran ☐ Y ☒ N	
	Permanent Address or Parent's Name of Juvenile				Phone		Parent Contacted Y ☐ N ☐ N/A ☐	
	Driver's License Number / State C400812869690 / FL	Social Security Number [REDACTED]	DOB 12/29/1986	Place Of Birth FL - FLORIDA	Citizen Y	Occupation Unemployed		
	* Collection of social security number from an arrested individual is to verify identity and may be shared with other law enforcement agencies.							
CHARGE	Charge Description BATTERY ON OFFICER FIREFIGHTER EMT ETC				Counts 1	☒ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance # 784.07.2d[2575]	
	Citation #				Bond Amount NA	Court Case #		
	☒ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att. ☐ Misdemeanor ☒ Felony							
CHARGE	Charge Description				Counts	☐ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance #	
	Citation #				Bond Amount	Court Case #		
	☐ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att. ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ Felony							
JCC NOT OFFERED	Reasoning							
	Comments							
	ADDITIONAL CHARGES							
ADMINISTRATIVE	Adults Only ☐ Hold for First Appearance Do Not Bond Out. Reason:							
	The preceding is true to the best of my present knowledge or belief.				Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned		Receiving Deputy (Print) <i>GREEN</i>	
	Officer / Complainant's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>				Authority this <u>15</u> day of <u>SEPT</u> , 20 <u>26</u>		Received Date / Time <u>9-15-26 1704</u>	
	ID. No. / Dist. 6202				Signature <u>[Signature]</u> Print or Type Name <u>GREEN</u>		Receiving Deputy (Signature) <i>[Signature]</i>	
ADMINISTRATIVE	Name (Printed) Baumann, Makenzie A487				Notary / Law Enforcement Officer in Performance of Official Duties ☒ Personally Known ☐ ID Produced		Employee ID # 5831	
	Marsy's Law Information							
	Victim's Name [REDACTED]							
	Marsy's Law rights have been provided to the victim <u>Y</u> Victim would like to have their information protected <u>Y</u>							



INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
ARREST AFFIDAVIT
4055 41st Ave
Vero Beach, Florida 32960

Arrest Affidavit Report

Case Report # 2026-00099267

NARRATIVE

On September 15th, 2026, at approximately 1626 hours, I responded to the Indian River County Jail (4055 41st Avenue), in reference to a Disturbance involving a deputy. Upon arrival, I met with Sergeant Tankersley, who provided jail video. While watching the video from Med Block, I observed the following:

[REDACTED] appeared to be serving food. An inmate, identified as Taneisha Cole, approached [REDACTED]. It appeared [REDACTED] advised Cole to wait. Cole then shoves [REDACTED] with both hands. [REDACTED] attempted to gain control of Cole's hands, but Cole began to strike [REDACTED] multiple times near [REDACTED] face. [REDACTED] was able to gain control by taking Cole to the floor.

I spoke with [REDACTED] who provided the following statement:

[REDACTED] was serving food. Cole approached [REDACTED] and stated she did not like the sandwich and claimed it was "smashed". [REDACTED] advised she would have to wait. Cole attempted to walk towards where the sandwiches were. [REDACTED] advised she could not and would have to wait. Cole then began to swing and strike [REDACTED] believes [REDACTED] was struck three times, but could not tell if the strikes were open or closed handed. [REDACTED] explained the strikes as a slap.

This case is CLEARED BY ARREST CLOSED.

The preceding is true to the best of my knowledge or belief

ARRESTING OFFICER / SIGNATURE

Baumann, Makenzie A487

Sworn and Subscribed before me this

NOTARY/ ASA

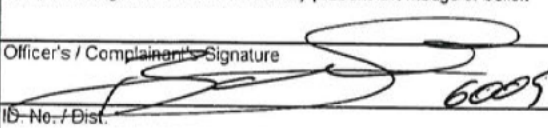
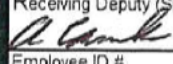
My comission expires

Agency

15 day of

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ADMINISTRATIVE	 INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARREST AFFIDAVIT 4055 41st Ave Vero Beach, Florida 32960				Case Report # 2026-00099001 Booking # 2026-3116			
	☒ Arrest Affidavit ☐ Juvenile Arrest Affidavit ☐ Juvenile Civil Citation ☐ Juvenile Complaint Affidavit							
	Court Case #				OBTS # 3101162977			
	Victim ☐ Domestic Violence				Weapons / Seized NONE			
Defendant Adult / Juvenile	Charge Type, check as many as apply ☒ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ Ordinance ☐ Traffic Felony ☐ Traffic Misdemeanor ☐ Other				Location of Offense 7400 20TH STREET VERO BEACH FL 32966			
	Location of Arrest 7400 20TH STREET VERO BEACH, FL 32966				Fingerprinted By Canales			
	Date of Arrest 09/15/2026	Time of Arrest 01:51	Date of Offense 09/15/2026	Fingerprinted ☐ Identification Only ☐ AFIS ☐ Criminal				
	Name Adult - FARRARA, JUSTIN TYLER				Alias			
	Race White	Sex Male	Height 6' 0"	Weight 200	Eye Color BLU	Hair Color BRO	Email Address	
	Scars, Marks, Tattoos				School Child Attends			
	Local Address (street, Apt. Number) 388 NORTH SHORE BOULEVARD PORT SAINT LUCIE, FL 34986				Phone (772)208-7221	Veteran ☐ Y ☒ N		
	Permanent Address or Parent's Name of Juvenile				Phone	Parent Contacted Y ☐ N ☐ N/A ☐		
	Driver's License Number / State F234017626000 / FL		Social Security Number [REDACTED]	DOB 07/07/1990	Place Of Birth NY - NEW YORK	Citizen Y	Occupation Unknown	
	* Collection of social security number from an arrested individual is to verify identity and may be shared with other law enforcement agencies.							
Co Def	Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle)		Race	Sex	Date of Birth or Age	☐ Arrested ☐ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ At Large ☐ Juvenile		
	Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle)		Race	Sex	Date of Birth or Age	☐ Arrested ☐ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ At Large ☐ Juvenile		
CHARGE	Charge Description POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE				Counts 1	☒ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance # 893.13.6d[7936]	
	Citation # AOCEHGE				Bond Amount NO BOND	Court Case #		
	☒ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att. ☐ Misdemeanor ☒ Felony							
CHARGE	Charge Description POSS OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA /AND OR USE				Counts 1	☒ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance # 893.147.1[3768]	
	Citation #				Bond Amount 500	Court Case #		
	☐ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att. ☒ Misdemeanor ☐ Felony							
JCC NOT OFFERED	Reasoning							
	Comments							
ADMINISTRATIVE	Adults Only ☐ Hold for First Appearance Do Not Bond Out. Reason:							
	The preceding is true to the best of my present knowledge or belief.				Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned			
	Officer's / Complainant's Signature 				Authority this <u>15th</u> day of <u>September</u> 20 <u>26</u>			
	ID No. / Dist. 6009				Signature <u>A. Canales</u> Print or Type Name <u>A. Canales</u>			
	Name (Printed) Ballester, Andy A741				Notary / Law Enforcement Officer in Performance of Official Duties ☒ Personally Known ☐ ID Produced			
Marsy's Law Information		Victim's Name: STATE OF FLORIDA					BOOKING USE ONLY Receiving Deputy (Print) A. Canales Received Date / Time 9/15/26 0440 Receiving Deputy (Signature)  Employee ID # 6127	
		Marsy's Law rights have been provided to the victim <u>N</u> Victim would like to have their information protected <u>N</u>						



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ADDITIONAL CHARGES

CHARGE	Charge Description	Counts	☒ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance #
	PROB VIOLATION FELONY	1		948.06[3848]
	Citation #	Bond Amount	Court Case #	
		NO BOND		
	☒ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att. ☐ Misdemeanor ☒ Felony			
CHARGE	Charge Description	Counts	☒ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance #
	DRIV WHILE LIC SUSPEND REVOCATION EQUIV STATUS	1		322.34.2a[9093]
	Citation #	Bond Amount	Court Case #	
		150		
	☐ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att. ☒ Misdemeanor ☐ Felony			
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	Citation #	Bond Amount	Court Case #	
	☐ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att. ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ Felony			
CHARGE	Charge Description	Counts	☐ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance #
	Citation #	Bond Amount	Court Case #	
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REPORTING OFFICER & ID #
Ballester, Andy A741

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE****ARREST AFFIDAVIT**4055 41st Ave
Vero Beach, Florida 32960**Arrest Affidavit Report**

Case Report # 2026-00099001

**NARRATIVE**

On September 15th, 2026, at approximately 0151 hours, I was patrolling westbound in the 6000 block of State Road 60, Vero Beach, Florida, when I observed a white Ford Fusion bearing Florida tag ED62TZ traveling westbound at an estimated speed of 45 to 50 miles per hour in a posted 45 mile per hour zone.

I positioned my patrol vehicle alongside the Ford Fusion and paced it at approximately 47 miles per hour from the 6600 block to the 7400 block of State Road 60. During the pace, I maintained a consistent distance from the Ford Fusion and observed the speed displayed on my patrol vehicle's speedometer. I subsequently conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle in the 7400 block of State Road 60.

Contact was made with the driver, identified as Justin Tyler Farrara. During my interaction with Farrara, he appeared visibly nervous, was sweating profusely, and was visibly shaking. I informed Farrara of the reason for the traffic stop and requested his driver's license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance.

Farrara stated that he was the manager of Outback Steakhouse, located at 6040 State Road 60, and had just left work. Farrara further stated that his New York driver's license was suspended due to citations he received approximately 10 years ago, which totaled approximately \$400. Farrara said he had been unable to obtain a Florida driver's license due to administrative points associated with those citations but was attempting to resolve the issue. Farrara provided me with his Florida ID card as a form of identification.

A query through D.A.V.I.D. revealed that Farrara's driving privilege was revoked on August 28th, 2023. The Indian River County Public Safety Dispatch advised that Farrara did not possess a Florida driver's license, nor a New York driver's license and that New York records showed only an identification card bearing number 252355220.

An FCIC/NCIC query also revealed that Farrara was on felony probation until March 26th, 2028, for fleeing or attempting to elude law enforcement with wanton disregard. His probation included Special Condition #: 26, prohibiting the possession or consumption of alcohol or illegal drugs.

Based on the investigation, I instructed Farrara to exit the vehicle and placed him under arrest for knowingly driving while his license was suspended or revoked. I secured Farrara in handcuffs, double locked, and checked for proper fit. Farrara was placed in the rear of my patrol vehicle.

Corporal Chamberlain assisted by conducting an inventory of Farrara's vehicle before it was removed from the scene. The following is a copy of Corporal Chamberlain supplement report on this case.

On Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at approximately 0151 hours I assisted with a traffic stop in the 7400 Block of State Route 60, Vero Beach, Florida 32966.

While speaking with Cpl. A. Ballester, I was informed it was his intent to arrest the driver. Once the driver was in custody, I began an inventory search.

During this inventory search, I opened the center console, which was unlocked. In the top shelf of this console I

The preceding is true to the best of my knowledge or belief

ARRESTING OFFICER / SIGNATURE

Ballester, Andy A741

Sworn and Subscribed before me this

15th day of September

NOTARY/ ASA

My commission expires

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NARRATIVE (Continuation)

located a Tupperware style container with a white crystal like substance which I recognized through my training and experience to likely be methamphetamine. I also discovered a small Ziploc style baggie with more white crystal like substance which shared the same appearance.

While searching the bag on the front passenger floorboard, in an outback steakhouse (employer of the arrested person) bag, I located a glass pipe with a thick white, milk-like residue throughout the stem and bulb, which through my training and experience I knew to be a common method for the consumption of methamphetamine.

I observed a field test of the suspected methamphetamine, which was positive, as indicated by a distinct blue coloration change.

My body worn camera was ACTIVE.

I assisted Corporal Chamberlain with searching the Outback Steakhouse bag. Inside the bag, I observed several training books bearing Farrara's name, along with a bank card containing his identifying information. These items established Farrara's ownership and control of the bag in which the glass pipe was located.

I collected a small sample from the white, crystal-like substance found inside the center console and conducted a presumptive field test. The substance produced a distinct blue color change, indicating a positive presumptive result for methamphetamine.

I subsequently attempted to interview Farrara. Before asking him any questions, I advised him of his Miranda rights. Farrara stated that he understood his rights and invoked them. No further questioning was conducted.

Farrara was transported to the Indian River County Jail and charged with the following:

- Possession of a controlled substance, in violation of F.S.S. 893.13(6)(a)
- Possession of drug paraphernalia, in violation of F.S.S. 893.147(1)
- Violation of felony probation, pursuant to F.S.S. 948.06
- Driving while license suspended or revoked with knowledge, in violation of F.S.S. 322.34(2)(a)

The preceding is true to the best of my knowledge or belief

ARRESTING OFFICER / SIGNATURE

Ballester, Andy A741

Sworn and Subscribed before me this

15th day of September

NOTARY/ ASA

[Signature] 6:17

My comission expires

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ARREST AFFIDAVIT

CIRCUIT 19TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT		REPORTING AGENCY VERO BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT		REPORT DATE 09/15/2026	
REPORTING AGENCY ORI # FL0310300		ARRESTING AGENCY ORI # FL0310300		SUBMITTING AGENCY ORI # FL0310300	
AGENCY CASE # 26-007930		ARREST # OR COURT CASE # FL031030058499989007930		JUVENILE? NO	
OBTS # 3101162978		EVIDENCE CONFISCATED OTHER PROPERTY TAKEN AT TIME OF ARREST		EVIDENCE CONFISCATED DESCRIPTION CLEAR BAGGY W/ W\POWDER	
☒ 1. FELONY ☐ 2. TRAFFIC FELONY ☐ 3. MISDEMEANOR ☐ 4. TRAFFIC MISDEMEANOR ☐ 5. ORDINANCE ☐ 6. OTHER/CAPIAS					
ARREST		BOOKING		JAIL	
DATE 09/15/2026		TIME 07:33 AM		DATE 09/15/2026	
		TIME 07:50 AM		DATE 09/15/2026	
				TIME 07:50 AM	
AT BUSINESS? YES		COMPANY NAME VNA HIDDEN TREASURES			
STREET # 656		PRE DIRECTION		STREET NAME 21ST ST	
CITY VERO BEACH		STATE FL		ZIP 32960	
		AT LATITUDE		AND LONGITUDE	
AT BUSINESS? YES		COMPANY NAME VNA HIDDEN TREASURES			
STREET # 656		PRE DIRECTION		STREET NAME 21ST ST	
CITY VERO BEACH		STATE FL		ZIP 32960	
		AT LATITUDE		AND LONGITUDE	
PERSON # 1		COARRESTEE STATUS		JUVENILE? NO	
				PARENTS CONTACTED?	
				RELATIONSHIP TO SUBJECT	
				NTA ? NO	
BUSINESS/GOVERNMENT NAME				VICTIM TO SUBJECT RELATIONSHIP	
FIRST NAME DANIEL		MIDDLE NAME JUSTIN		LAST NAME COUTARD	
GENDER M		HEIGHT 5'10"		RACE W	
		ETHNICITY NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO		ALIAS / MAIDEN	
				ALT NAME DESC. NA	
				COMPLEXION FAIR	
BUILD AVERAGE		WEIGHT 250 LBS		EYE COLOR BLU	
				HAIR COLOR BLN	
				PHYSICAL FEATURE	
SCARS/MARKS/TATOOS (LOCATION / DESCRIBE)					
DUI INDICATOR DRUGS		SPEAKS ENGLISH? YES		THREAT? NO	
				PROBATION? NO	
				GANG AFF? NO	
				SEX OFFENDER? NO	
				MENTAL HEALTH NO	
				HOMELESS? NO	
IDENTIFICATION					
DRIVER LICENSE # C218323095000		DL STATE FL		DL CLASS E	
				PLACE OF BIRTH US Peterborough	
				COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP US NH	
SOC. SEC. #		INS #		FBI #	
				FCIC/NCIC #	
				BOOKING #	
				SPN #	
				DOC #	
				OTHER ID #	
PERMANENT ADDRESS					
STREET # 1096		STREET NAME 23RD PL		STREET CATEGORY CODE PLACE	
CITY VERO BEACH		STATE FL		ZIP CODE 32962	
				ADDRESS SOURCE DHSMV	
PERSON RESIDENCE CODE RESIDENT		PHONE #		E-MAIL	

CHARGE INFORMATION	CHARGE # 1	VICTIM PERSON # 2	OFFENSE START DATE 09/15/2026	OFFENSE END DATE 09/15/2026	INCIDENT START DATE 09/15/2026	INCIDENT END DATE 09/15/2026
	JUVENILE REFERRAL					
	CHARGE TYPE FSS	CHARGE SEVERITY FELONY	ORDINANCE #	STATE STATUTE 893.13(6A)	STATUTE CATEGORY DRUGS-POSSESS	
	STATUTE DESCRIPTION POSSESS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE W/O PRESCRIPTION			COUNTS 1	INCREASED PENALTY	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NO
VICTIM LOCAL GOVERNMENT	DRUG ACTIVITY POSSESS	DRUG TYPE COCAINE	DRUG AMOUNT 0.5	BAIL BOND TYPE NO BOND	BOND DATE 09/15/2026	BOND AMOUNT \$0.00
	WARRANT #					
	PERSON # 2	COARRESTEE STATUS	JUVENILE?	PARENTS CONTACTED?	RELATIONSHIP TO SUBJECT	NTA ?
	BUSINESS/GOVERNMENT NAME STATE OF FLORIDA			VICTIM TO SUBJECT RELATIONSHIP		
	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	LAST NAME		SUFFIX	DATE OF BIRTH
	AGE					
	GENDER	HEIGHT	RACE	ETHNICITY	ALIAS / MAIDEN	ALT NAME DESC. NA
	COMPLEXION					
	BUILD	WEIGHT	EYE COLOR	HAIR COLOR	PHYSICAL FEATURE	
	SCARS/MARKS/TATOOS (LOCATION / DESCRIBE)					
	DUI INDICATOR	SPEAKS ENGLISH?	THREAT?	PROBATION?	GANG AFF?	SEX OFFENDER?
	MENTAL HEALTH	HOMELESS?				
IDENTIFICATION						
DRIVER LICENSE #		DL STATE	DL CLASS	PLACE OF BIRTH	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP	
SOC. SEC. #	INS #	FBI #	FCIC/NCIC #	BOOKING #	SPN #	DOC #
OTHER ID #						
PERMANENT ADDRESS						
STREET # .		STREET NAME .			STREET CATEGORY CODE ALLEY	APT/UNIT # .
CITY TALLAHASSEE		STATE FL	ZIP CODE 00000	ADDRESS SOURCE		
PERSON RESIDENCE CODE			PHONE # (000) 000-0000	E-MAIL		

The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe that the above named defendant committed the following violation of law:
 On **09/15/2026** , at **07:05** (Specifically include facts constituting cause for arrest.)

On 09/15/26, I, Ofc. Gonzalez (471), along with my trainee, Ofc. Neary (425), responded to a call from dispatch regarding a white male in his 40s wearing a white shirt and khaki shorts, stumbling while walking and who had fallen into some bushes. Assisting us with the area search was Ofc. A. Robertson.

Upon arrival, Ofc. Neary and I conducted a canvass of the area in an attempt to locate the subject. Dispatch subsequently advised that the subject was now in front of the VNA Hidden Treasures Thrift Store. Upon arrival, we made contact with the subject, who was later identified by his Florida identification card as Daniel Coutard.

I asked Mr. Coutard if he was okay, inquired about his whereabouts, and asked what was going on. I explained that law enforcement had received calls regarding him stumbling while walking and that we were there to conduct a welfare check. During my conversation with Mr. Coutard, I observed that he was having trouble maintaining his balance, his speech was slurred and confused, and he was not giving coherent responses to my questions.

I asked Mr. Coutard if he had been drinking or taking drugs, and he stated that he had not, despite his behavior indicating otherwise.

When I asked for his identification, he fumbled with items as he emptied out his pockets. As he emptied his left front pocket, I observed a small, clear plastic baggie in his hand, which I could see contained a white powdery substance. Based on my training and experience, I suspected it to be cocaine. Mr. Coutard then placed all of his property back into his pockets.

Based on my observations of Mr. Coutard, I requested that EMS respond to the scene to evaluate him.

While waiting for EMS to arrive, I asked Mr. Coutard to empty his pockets once again, which he did freely and willingly. Mr. Coutard emptied his pockets, except this time, he did not take out the small plastic baggie I had observed previously, as it appeared he was attempting to keep it concealed.

I then reached into his pocket and removed the baggie and confirmed my initial observation.

Ofc. Robertson remained with Mr. Coutard while Ofc. Neary and I returned to my patrol vehicle and tested the white substance with a field test kit. Upon testing the substance, the test kit yielded a presumptive positive result for cocaine.

EMS subsequently arrived on the scene, but Mr. Coutard refused all medical treatment and did not want to be touched by EMS personnel.

Based on the positive field-test result and my observations, I walked back over to Mr. Coutard, placed him under arrest for possession of cocaine, and informed him accordingly.

Ofc. Neary and I conducted a search of Mr. Coutard prior to transport and then transported him to the Indian River County Jail without incident.

The foregoing occurred within the City of Vero Beach, Indian River County, Florida.

The foregoing was recorded with the use of body-worn cameras, which were subsequently uploaded to a secure server.

The baggie was entered into property and evidence at the Vero Beach Police Department.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL	FIRST NAME S	LAST NAME GONZALEZ	BADGE # 471	RANK OFFICER	SIGNATURE METHOD ELECTRONIC
	I SWEAR/AFFIRM THE ABOVE ATTACHED STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT ON 09/15/2026 at 08:31			OFFICER SIGNATURE <i>S. Gonzalez</i>	
AFFIRMING OFFICIAL	AFFIRMING OFFICIAL NAME -- Rivera	BADGE # -- 6100	AFFIRMING AGENCY ORI # FL0310000	SIGNATURE METHOD INK	AFFIRMING OFFICIAL SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>
	SUBSCRIBED AND AFFIRMED TO BEFORE ME ON 09/15/2026 AT 08:31 BY _____ WHO IS PERSONALLY KNOWN TO ME OR HAS PRODUCED _____ AS IDENTIFICATION. ____ LEO/CO (FSS 117.10)				
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**MARSY'S LAW
APPLIES?**

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Civilian? Yes _____ No _____ Law Enforcement Officer? Yes _____ No _____

AGENCY CASE #:

REPORT DATE:

TYPE:

ARREST AFFIDAVIT #26-3119

CASE INFORMATION

CIRCUIT 19TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT		REPORTING AGENCY VERO BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT		REPORT DATE 09/15/2026
REPORTING AGENCY ORI # FL0310300	ARRESTING AGENCY ORI # FL0310300	SUBMITTING AGENCY ORI # FL0310300	BOOKING AGENCY ORI # FL0310000	
AGENCY CASE # 26-007942	ARREST # OR COURT CASE # FL031030058499989007942	JUVENILE? 	TYPE OF ARREST ON-VIEW ARREST	
OBTS # 31062980	EVIDENCE CONFISCATED		EVIDENCE CONFISCATED DESCRIPTION	
☐ 1. FELONY ☐ 2. TRAFFIC FELONY ☒ 3. MISDEMEANOR ☐ 4. TRAFFIC MISDEMEANOR ☐ 5. ORDINANCE ☐ 6. OTHER/CAPIAS				

LOCATION OF ARREST

ARREST		BOOKING		JAIL	
DATE 09/15/2026	TIME 09:45 AM	DATE 09/15/2026	TIME 10:14 AM	DATE 09/15/2026	TIME 10:14 AM
AT BUSINESS? YES		COMPANY NAME BP GAS STATION			
STREET # 1901	PRE DIRECTION 	STREET NAME US-1		POST DIRECTION 	STREET CATEGORY CODE HIGHWAY
CITY VERO BEACH		STATE FL	ZIP 32960	AND LONGITUDE 	

LOCATION OF OFFENSE

AT BUSINESS? YES		COMPANY NAME BP GAS STATION			
STREET # 1901	PRE DIRECTION 	STREET NAME US 1		POST DIRECTION 	STREET CATEGORY CODE HIGHWAY
CITY VERO BEACH		STATE FL	ZIP 32960	AND LONGITUDE 	

ARRESTEE

PERSON # 1	COARRESTEE STATUS 	JUVENILE? NO	PARENTS CONTACTED? 	RELATIONSHIP TO SUBJECT 	NTA ? NO
BUSINESS/GOVERNMENT NAME 			VICTIM TO SUBJECT RELATIONSHIP 		
FIRST NAME KELLY		MIDDLE NAME JAMES	LAST NAME ONEILL		SUFFIX
DATE OF BIRTH 8/19/1972		AGE 54			
GENDER M	HEIGHT 5'07"	RACE W	ETHNICITY UNKNOWN	ALIAS / MAIDEN 	ALT NAME DESC. NA
COMPLEXION FAIR					
BUILD HEAVY	WEIGHT 230 LBS	EYE COLOR BRO	HAIR COLOR BLD	PHYSICAL FEATURE 	
SCARS/MARKS/TATOOS (LOCATION / DESCRIBE) 					
DUI INDICATOR NONE	SPEAKS ENGLISH? YES	THREAT? NO	PROBATION? NO	GANG AFF? NO	SEX OFFENDER? NO
MENTAL HEALTH NO		HOMELESS? YES			
IDENTIFICATION					
DRIVER LICENSE # 0540510722990		DL STATE FL	DL CLASS E	PLACE OF BIRTH FL	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP US
DOC # 	INS # 	FBI # 	FCIC/NCIC # 	BOOKING # 	SPN #
DOC # 		OTHER ID # 			
PERMANENT ADDRESS					
STREET # HOMELESS		STREET NAME HOMELESS		STREET CATEGORY CODE ALLEY	APT/UNIT #
CITY VERO BEACH		STATE FL	ZIP CODE 32962	ADDRESS SOURCE 	
PERSON RESIDENCE CODE NONRESIDENT			PHONE # (000) 000-0000	E-MAIL 	

CHARGE INFORMATION

CHARGE # 1	VICTIM PERSON # 2	OFFENSE START DATE 09/15/2026	OFFENSE END DATE 09/15/2026	INCIDENT START DATE 09/15/2026	INCIDENT END DATE 09/15/2026
JUVENILE REFERRAL					
CHARGE TYPE FSS	CHARGE SEVERITY MISDEMEANOR	ORDINANCE #	STATE STATUTE 810.08(2B)	STATUTE CATEGORY TRESPASSING	
STATUTE DESCRIPTION OCCUPIED STRUCTURE OR CONVEYANCE			COUNTS 1	INCREASED PENALTY	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NO
DRUG ACTIVITY	DRUG TYPE	DRUG AMOUNT	BAIL BOND TYPE CASH	BOND DATE 09/15/2026	BOND AMOUNT \$500.00
WARRANT #					

The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe that the above named defendant committed the following violation of law:
 On **09/15/2026**, at **09:30** (Specifically include facts constituting cause for arrest.)

I responded to 1901 US HWY 1 in reference to trespassing. Upon arrival, I made contact with the complainant Atif Chaudhry.

Chaudhry stated that a male that he had previously trespassed, came onto his property, which was viewed via video surveillance footage, at two separate time this morning once at 0030 hours and at 0230 hours. The male was seen taking bags full of trash and dumping them on the east and south sides of the building.

The male was seen sitting across the street from his business at this time. The male was wearing the same black shirt with two emblems on the top half of his shirt and black shoes with a sliver reflective pattern, that were seen on video. Officers were also able to that the male in the video was Kelly O'Neil, due to his mannerisms from previous law enforcement interactions. Contact was made with the O'Neill, and he was detained at this time. Following a NCIC/FCIC records check I was informed that

O'Neill had an active TAW on file, reference case #26-006911.

O'Neill was officially taken into custody at this time and transported to the Indian River County Jail without incident.

O'Neill was charged with FSS 810.08(2B) for Trespass of an occupied structure or conveyance.



ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL	FIRST NAME D	LAST NAME DIETRICH	BADGE # 423	RANK OFFICER	SIGNATURE METHOD ELECTRONIC
	I SWEAR/AFFIRM THE ABOVE ATTACHED STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT ON 09/15/2026 at 10:36			OFFICER SIGNATURE 	
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DEFENDANT THUMB PRINT			DEFENDANT/JUVENILE SIGNATURE		PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

ADMINISTRATIVE	 INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARREST AFFIDAVIT 4055 41st Ave Vero Beach, Florida 32960		Case Report #26-8500		Booking # <u>26-3123</u>	
	☒ Arrest Affidavit ☐ Notice to appear		☐ Juvenile Arrest Affidavit ☐ Juvenile Complaint Affidavit			
	Charge Type, check as many as apply ☒ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ Ordinance ☐ Traffic Felony ☐ Traffic Misdemeanor ☐ Other		Victim ☐ Domestic Violence		Weapons / Seized	
Defendant Adult / Juvenile	Location of Arrest 4055 41st Ave, Vero Beach, FL 32960		Location of Offense			
	Date of Arrest 09/15/26	Time of Arrest 1355	Date of Offense	Fingerprinted ☐ Identification Only ☐ AFIS ☐ Criminal	Fingerprinted By <u>Rivers</u>	
	Name Opsincs, Stephen Christopher		Alias			
Co Def	Race White	Sex M	Height 5'09"	Weight 180	Eye Color Blue	Hair Color Brown
	Scars, Marks, Tattoos				School Child Attends	
	Local Address (street, Apt. Number)				Phone	Veteran ☐ Y ☒ N
CHARGE	Permanent Address or Parent's Name of Juvenile 1076 Highview Rd, Lantana, FL 33462				Phone	Parent Contacted Y ☐ N ☐ N/A ☒
	Driver's License Number / State O125783853880		Social Security Number [REDACTED]	DOB 10/28/85	Place Of Birth Huntsville, Alabama	Citizen / Occupation Y Concrete
	* Collection of social security number from an arrested individual is to verify identity and may be shared with other law enforcement agencies.					
CHARGE	Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle)		Race	Sex	Date of Birth or Age	☐ Arrested ☐ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ At Large ☐ Juvenile
	Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle)		Race	Sex	Date of Birth or Age	☐ Arrested ☐ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ At Large ☐ Juvenile
	Charge Description Monies Received by Contractors		Counts 1	☒ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance # 489.126(5)(b)	
CHARGE	Citation #		Bond Amount \$7,500.00	Court Case # 312025CF59A		
	☐ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att. ☐ Misdemeanor ☒ Felony					
	Charge Description		Counts	☐ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance #	
NOTICE TO APPEAR	Citation #		Bond Amount	Court Case #		
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	Mandatory Appearance In Court		Location (Address, Court, Room #)			
ADMINISTRATIVE	Month Day Year Time ☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.					
	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 Juv. Parent / Custodian		Released to : (Name) Date Time	
ADMINISTRATIVE	Adults Only ☐ Hold for First Appearance Do Not Bond Out. Reason:					
	The preceding is true to the best of my present knowledge or belief.		Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned		Receiving Deputy (Print) <u>Rivers</u>	
	Officer's / Complainant's Signature		Authority this <u>15th</u> day of <u>Sept</u> , 20 <u>26</u>		Received Date / Time <u>9/15/26 1415</u>	
ADMINISTRATIVE	ID. No. / Dist. 0979/A243/IRCSO		Signature <u>Rivers</u>		Receiving Deputy (Signature) <u>[Signature]</u>	
	Name (Printed) D/S A. Cirino		Print or Type Name <u>Rivers</u>		Employee ID # <u>6100</u>	
			Notary / Law Enforcement Officer in Performance of Official Duties ☒ Personally Known ☐ ID Produced			

☐ Contains confidential victim's information



INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
ARREST AFFIDAVIT
4055 41st Ave
Vero Beach, Florida 32960

Arrest Affidavit Report

26-8500

Case Report #

NARRATIVE

On September 15th, 2026, I served the above defendant a active Indian River County Warrant #312025CF59A for the charge of Monies Received by Contractors Bond \$7,500.00.

I have no further information or involvement in this case.

The preceding is true to the best of my knowledge or belief

ARRESTING OFFICER / SIGNATURE

Sworn and Subscribed before me this 15th day of Sept/2026

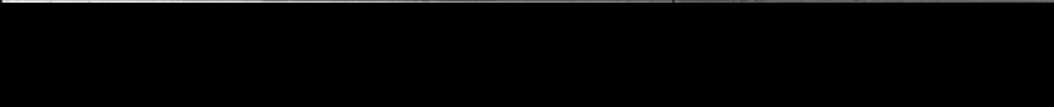
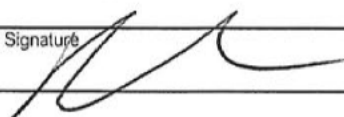
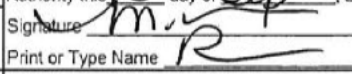
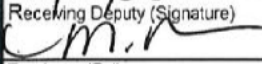
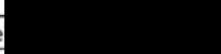
NOTARY/ ASA

My comission expires

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Agency INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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ADMINISTRATIVE	 INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARREST AFFIDAVIT 4055 41st Ave Vero Beach, Florida 32960				Case Report # 2026-00099323 Booking # 26-3125			
	☒ Arrest Affidavit ☐ Juvenile Arrest Affidavit ☐ Juvenile Civil Citation ☐ Juvenile Complaint Affidavit							
	Charge Type, check as many as apply ☐ Felony ☒ Misdemeanor ☐ Ordinance ☐ Traffic Felony ☐ Traffic Misdemeanor ☐ Other				Court Case # OBTS # 3101162987			
					Victim ☒ Domestic Violence Weapons / Seized			
Defendant Adult / Juvenile					Fingerprinted By  Canales.			
	09/15/2026		18:53		09/15/2026		☐ Identification Only ☐ AFIS ☐ Criminal	
	Name Adult - PALACIOS, ERIKA M				Alias			
	Race White		Sex Fema	Height 5' 2"	Weight 140	Eye Color BRO	Hair Color BRO	Email Address
	Scars, Marks, Tattoos				School Child Attends			
	Local Address (street, Apt. Number)				Phone (678)848-8335		Veteran ☐ Y ☒ N	
	Permanent Address or Parent's Name of Juvenile				Phone		Parent Contacted ☐ Y ☐ N ☐ N/A ☐	
	Driver's License Number / State P422213715670 / FL		Social Security Number		DOB 02/27/1971	Place Of Birth XX - INTERNATIONAL	Citizen Y	Occupation Unemployed
	* Collection of social security number from an arrested individual is to verify identity and may be shared with other law enforcement agencies.							
	Co Def	Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle)		Race	Sex	Date of Birth or Age	☐ Arrested ☐ At Large	☐ Felony ☐ Juvenile
Co-Defendant Name (Last, First, Middle)		Race	Sex	Date of Birth or Age	☐ Arrested ☐ At Large	☐ Felony ☐ Juvenile	☐ Misdemeanor	
CHARGE	Charge Description BATTERY TOUCH OR STRIKE				Counts 1	☒ F.S. ☐ Ord.	Statute/Ordinance # 784.03.1a1[2560]	
	Citation #				Bond Amount NO BOND		Court Case #	
	☒ PC ☐ Capias/Warrant ☐ BW ☐ Juv PU ☐ Citation ☐ Domestic Viol Inj. ☐ Writ Att.				☒ Misdemeanor ☐ Felony			
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JCC NOT OFFERED	Reasoning							
	Comments							
ADMINISTRATIVE	Adults Only ☐ Hold for First Appearance Do Not Bond Out. Reason:							
	The preceding is true to the best of my present knowledge or belief.				Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned		Receiving Deputy (Print) Rodn	
	Officer's / Complainant's Signature 				Authority this 15 day of Sep 2026		Received Date / Time 9/15/26 2101	
	ID. No. / Dist. 6321				Signature 		Receiving Deputy (Signature) 	
	Name (Printed) Ciofalo, Michael A721				Notary / Law Enforcement Officer in Performance of Official Duties		Employee ID # 5661	
					☒ Personally Known ☐ ID Produced			
Marsy's Law Information		Victim's Name 		Marsy's Law rights have been provided to the victim Y Victim would like to have their information protected Y				



INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
ARREST AFFIDAVIT
4055 41st Ave
Vero Beach, Florida 32960

Arrest Affidavit Report

Case Report # 2026-00099323



NARRATIVE

On September 15th, 2026, at approximately 1853 hours, I was dispatched to [REDACTED] in reference to a disturbance. The caller, who declined to provide their name, stated a male identified as [REDACTED] had hit a female in the face. The female was later identified as Erika Palacios. It should be noted [REDACTED]

I responded to the residence, where I approached the front door. Within the front yard, I observed two brown boxes, which were narrow and vertical in nature, placed in the lawn. They appeared to be out of place given the overall neatness of the property. It appeared to me they had been thrown or misplaced there. I heard screaming when I approached the front door, as though the two were in an argument. I knocked on the door, which [REDACTED] answered. Deputy Gadacz would speak with [REDACTED] while I would interview Erika.

Erika explained nothing had happened between her and [REDACTED]. She explained he did not strike her, nor punch her. I did not observe redness on her face consistent with being punched or struck. However, I did observe a small red mark to the left side of her neck, behind her ear. This was photographed. I asked her about this mark, which she stated it was from rubbing her face. She explained the two were simply just yelling at one another.

I then spoke with [REDACTED] explained he told Erika his intent to lock his office. He explained she began to yell, scream, and chase him around the house. He explained she was throwing boxes at him, which struck him. He stated she also was pushing him, where he pushed her back in self-defense. I did not observe any marks or bruises which were visible.

He explained he had cameras all around his house, and stated they work. He showed me a video captured by his interior garage camera. I observed within the video a loud physical disturbance between Erika and [REDACTED]. Erika appears to be chasing [REDACTED] around the garage, grabbing random items, and throwing them out of the garage into the front yard. [REDACTED] appears calm, but at points attempts to yell back at her, in an effort to de-escalate. Erika picked up the aforementioned brown boxes, which were identified as air filter boxes, and raised it up toward [REDACTED] like a baseball bat. She did not swing, nor strike him with it. It did appear as though [REDACTED] flinched. I asked [REDACTED] if he believed she was going to strike him, which he stated yes. Further into the video, I observed Erika pick up an empty brown box, and throw it directly at [REDACTED] which struck him in the back. He then closed the gap between them and began yelling at her in an effort to defend himself. Ultimately, after review of the video, I believed Erika was the primary aggressor during the incident. The video was uploaded to

The preceding is true to the best of my knowledge or belief

ARRESTING OFFICER / SIGNATURE

Ciofalo, Michael A721

Sworn and Subscribed before me this

NOTARY/ ASA

My comission expires

Agency INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

15 day of Sept 2026



INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
ARREST AFFIDAVIT
4055 41st Ave
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Arrest Affidavit Report

Case Report # 2026-00099323

NARRATIVE (Continuation)

Evidence.com via a community link.

I then spoke with Erika. I attempted to read her Miranda rights in English, however, she stated she did not understand. It should be noted, Erika was speaking English throughout the incident up to this point. However, I presented her with a Spanish Miranda Rights card, which she read each line out loud. She explained she knew how to read. She stated she understood. I asked if she wanted to speak with us, which she agreed to. She then admitted to throwing a box at [REDACTED]. I asked again if [REDACTED] hit or struck her, which she stated no. She stated she did not do anything wrong, however, I explained throwing a box at [REDACTED] is a violation of Florida State Statute.

Ultimately, Erika was placed into handcuffs (double locked/checked for fit), and placed into my agency vehicle. Erika was driven to IRCSO Jail.

While in-route, a female identified as Victoria Watts, called IRCSO Dispatch and stated she witnessed the incident and wanted to provide a statement. Deputy Gadacz would speak with Victoria via telephone. She stated she heard a male and female screaming at one another. She stated she observed the two parties outside the residence, where Erika was throwing items out of the garage. She then stated she observed the [REDACTED] start to record, where Erika continued to throw items. [REDACTED] was then described to stop recording, where Victoria stated she observed [REDACTED] approach near the garage and slap Erika once on the cheek. She described this to take place very close to where the garage door would shut if it was shut during this incident. It should be noted, the door was open so this described location was within camera view. She stated she did not know which side of her face, nor which hand he struck her with. Victoria stated she observed Erika continue to yell, and throw items, where [REDACTED] approached her again and grabbed her. Ultimately, the yelling continued, and Victoria stated she did not know what they were saying due to speaking in Spanish.

Upon a secondary review of the video, there is no point where [REDACTED] grabs and or slaps Erika. There is a moment where Erika raised the vertical box up like a baseball bat toward [REDACTED] he extended his arm and appears to stiff arm Erika away. During my interview with [REDACTED] he specifically stated he was in fear of being struck, therefore, this in my assessment was self-defense. At the end of the video the two then go inside the residence together.

The preceding is true to the best of my knowledge or belief

ARRESTING OFFICER / SIGNATURE

Ciofalo, Michael A721

Sworn and Subscribed before me this

15 day of Sept 2026

NOTARY/ ASA

My commission expires

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Agency

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE