

# WARRANT APPLICATION

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## STATE OF CONNECTICUT SUPERIOR COURT

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AGENCY NAME  
Bloomfield

NAME AND RESIDENCE (Town) OF ACCUSED  
GAULT, Adam 258 Newington RD West Hartford CT

COUNTY  
Hartford

Race: White Sex: Male

### APPLICATION FOR ARREST WARRANT

D.O.B: 01/28/1966

TO: A Judge of the Superior Court

The undersigned hereby applies for a warrant for the arrest of the above-named accused on the basis of the facts set forth in the: ☐ AFFIDAVIT BELOW, ☐ AFFIDAVIT(S) ATTACHED.

DATE AND SIGNATURE	DATE 7/31/07	SIGNED (Prosecuting Authority) 	TYPE/PRINT NAME OF PROSECUTING AUTHORITY DAVID ZAGAJA
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### AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned affiant, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- That Affiant 1, Detective Eric M. Kovanda, has been a police officer since August of 1995. The affiant is employed by the Bloomfield Police Department (BPD) in Bloomfield, CT and is currently assigned to the Detective Division. The affiant has received specialized training in the investigation of criminal and other matters. That Affiant 2, Detective James McKeown, has been a member of the West Hartford Police Department since September of 1988. The following facts and circumstances are stated from personal knowledge and observations of the affiants as well as from official police reports, information supplied by brother and/or sister officers, statements made from prudent and credible witnesses, and or others acting in their official capacity.
- On June 14, 2006 a 14-year-old juvenile female living in Bloomfield, referred to hereafter as JV pursuant to Connecticut General Statute (CGS) sec. 54-86e, did not return home from school. As the result of information learned during the ongoing investigation into the whereabouts of the missing/endangered juvenile, BPD began investigating information regarding the sexual assault of the same juvenile.
- Nearly one year later, on June 6, 2007, as part of the continuing investigation, multiple search and seizure warrants were served at 258 Newington Road in West Hartford, the residence of Adam Gault. Adam Gault, a 41 year old white male, is a former acquaintance and business associate of JV's family. During the execution of the search warrants JV was found hidden in a storage space in a first floor bedroom that had

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### FINDING

The foregoing Application for an arrest warrant, and affidavit(s) attached to said Application, having been submitted to and considered by the undersigned, the undersigned finds from said affidavit(s) that there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed and that the accused committed it and, therefore, that probable cause exists for the issuance of a warrant for the arrest of the above-named accused.

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been secured with a latch from the outside and was concealed behind a heavy dresser.

4. The night before JV disappeared, 6-13-2006, JV came to Bloomfield Police Department (BPD) with Adam Gault, his long-time girlfriend Ann Murphy and their son. Gault brought JV to BPD to report allegations of abuse and neglect that had allegedly been allowed to occur at JV's home. JV stated that she did not feel safe in her home, and asked to be placed with Gault. Further inquiry revealed that JV's mother had discovered a journal in which JV had made several notations describing a sexual relationship between her and Adam Gault. Investigators obtained the journal. DCF responded and placed JV with her mother. The following day, JV went to school and did not come home.

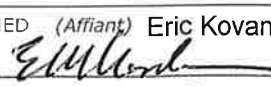
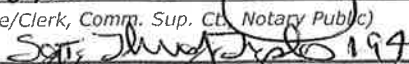
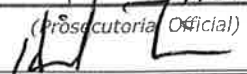
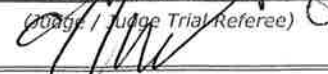
5. Information was learned during the investigation that Adam Gault and Ann Murphy had given JV pre-pay phones against the wishes of JV's mother. Phone records obtained early in the investigation revealed that JV made several calls to Adam Gault, beginning at 3:01 AM on the day that she did not return home from school. Discovery of the phone contact with Gault at such odd hours prompted police inquiry.

6. On the morning of 6-15-2006 police went to Adam Gault's place of business in West Hartford and questioned him about the whereabouts of JV. Adam reported that he had not seen JV since Tuesday, June 13th when he convinced JV to go to BPD to report allegations of abuse in her home. Investigators would later discover that following this police contact with Gault, JV stopped using her cell phone that same afternoon.

7. On 6-18-2006 Gault was interviewed again by police. At that time Gault reported speaking to JV on the afternoon of 6-15-2006. Gault stated that JV asked him for money, but he told her he could not give her any money. Gault stated that he strongly encouraged JV to call the police. Gault stated that he asked JV where she was, but she refused to tell him. Investigators would later learn that JV had been taken to Richard Cray's house in Hebron, CT and that Mr. Cray was told that JV was Gault's niece "Missy" from Chicago. Mr. Cray has told investigators that Gault visited Missy (JV) just about every evening until late at night.

8. On 10-3-2006 Gault was interviewed again by police. Gault stated that he had not had any contact

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Race: <b>White</b> Sex: <b>Male</b>	<b>AFFIDAVIT</b> D.O.B: <b>01/28/1966</b>	

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with JV or her family since this incident was reported. Gault stated that the police should be looking at JV's step-father. Gault would not consent to allowing the police to enter his home to check for JV. Investigators would later learn that Gault had just recently returned with JV from a trip to North Carolina in September.

9. Investigators would also later learn that following the police contact on 10-3-2006, Gault took JV to Vermont on 10-18-2006, where he paid cash to stay 105 nights in an efficiency apartment at a Motel in Bennington, VT through January of 2007. From there, he took JV to Daytona, FL for several weeks and then returned to Bennington, VT where he stayed at the same establishment for two additional two night stays in March of 2007. The investigation has documented several witnesses who saw Gault with JV in Vermont and in Florida. JV was introduced to people as "Missy", and several fabricated stories were given to explain why she was with him. JV has stated since her recovery from Gault's home that she stayed with Gault in VT for a couple months and stayed with Gault in FL for several weeks.

10. On 4-13-2007 the affiants obtained and executed a search warrant for additional records for JV's phone. Records obtained reflect communications for the entire month of June, 2006. The records reveal that JV did not use the phone after 6-20-2006, and that from 6-1-2006 to 6-20-2006 there were 442 communications (calls and text messages) made. Of the 442 communications, 400 were between JV's phone, (860) 416-1959, and the phone number (860) 463-7478, a cell phone number known to be used by Adam Gault. The pattern of communication shows that the effort to communicate was mutual. There were no communications between (860) 416-1959 and (860) 463-7478 after the 15:40 on 6-15-2006. The absence of communication after 15:40 on 6-15-2006 was highly inconsistent with the frequency of 400 communications in the 15 days prior. As previously mentioned, police had questioned Gault on 6-15-2006 about JV's whereabouts. Investigators believe that when phone records were referenced as a reason for that police contact, Gault to instruct JV to discontinue use of the phone.

11. On 4-17-2007 unlaundered clothing belonging to JV, which JV left in her bedroom at her home in Bloomfield prior to her disappearance, was seized and sent to Connecticut State Police Forensic Laboratory for testing and analysis with the consent of JV's mother.

12. On 5-16-2007 the Connecticut Forensic Lab reported that seminal fluid was discovered on two pair of

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JV's underwear. Forensic testing has been conducted by the Connecticut Forensic Science Laboratory. Y-str DNA testing has revealed that Adam Gault can not be eliminated as a contributor to the DNA present in one of JV's underwear. This evidence corroborates the sexually explicit entries that JV made in her journal and the belief that Gault was grooming or seducing JV prior to her disappearance.

13. Between the dates of 5-16-2007 and 5-21-2007 several of the JV's friends were interviewed. None of them had heard from JV since her disappearance. All but one stated that JV confided in them that she was having sex with an older white man named Adam. The friends reported hearing from JV that she had sex with Adam at his home, in his vehicle and at his business where she worked for him. One of JV's friends, interviewed on 5-17-2007, stated that JV had told her that Adam was her boyfriend, that he was about 40 years old, and that they were having sex in Adam's car and at his business in Bloomfield. JV told her that they were in love. In December of 2005, one of JV's friends went with her to work at Adam's business in Bloomfield. She stated that there were mattresses on the floor and that JV had clothes there. She stated that JV and Adam went into one of the rooms and closed the door for about half of an hour, and then left in Adam's vehicle and were gone for over two hours, leaving her at the business with people she did not know. The girl who was not able to provide similar information stated that she did not know JV very well. The constancy of accusation provided by JV's friends corroborates the sexually explicit entries that JV made in her journal and the belief that Gault was grooming or seducing JV prior to her disappearance.

14. On 6-6-2007, multiple search and seizure warrants were served at Adam Gault's residence, 258 Newington Road in West Hartford, CT. Officers from the Bloomfield Police Department and West Hartford Police Departments coordinated the execution of the warrants and several contemporaneous interviews. Affiant 1 went to the house with Sgt. Driscoll (BPD) and interviewed Gault prior to execution of the warrants. Gault stated that he had no idea where JV was. He stated that he had not seen or heard from her since he talked to her by cell phone the day after she did not return home from school. Gault suggested that we look at JV's step father stating that he was abusive. Gault stated that it took him 3 weeks to convince JV to make the complaint against her family. Gault expressed disappointment about being accused of sleeping with JV by an officer earlier in the investigation. Affiant 1 asked Gault if he had sex with JV. Gault said, "No, never." Gault was asked if he would consent to the Buccal Swabs. He stated that he would not sign a consent form without having it reviewed by an attorney, but offered to provide the swabs after an attorney

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reviewed the form or to provide the sample without signing the consent form. At that point, a search and seizure warrant for buccal swabs from the mouth of Adam Gault was executed.


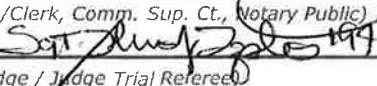
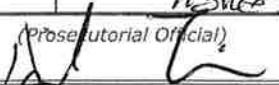
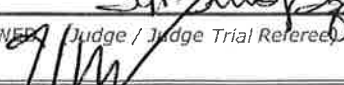
15. Gault was then asked if we could look for JV in the house. Gault agreed, and led the Affiant 1 through the house. All of the windows had coverings and no lights were turned on. Gault led the affiant though the downstairs to the upstairs to the bedrooms where he pointed into each room from the hallway, explaining who's room it was. The house was dirty, unkept and had a foul odor. Gault led the affiant back down stairs and directly back to the rear door of the house. The consent search, guided by Gault, was cursory and swift, lasting about 1 minute. Once we reached the rear door of the house, a search warrant for items including, but not limited to computers, digital media and photographs within the home, the garage and closed containers within the curtilage of the home was executed.

16. During the execution of the search warrants JV was found hidden in a storage space in a first floor bedroom that had been secured with a latch from the outside and was concealed behind a heavy dresser. Since her recovery from Gault's home, JV has disclosed that Adam Gault and Ann Murphy hid her and closed the door to the storage space, and that Adam Gault moved the dresser that concealed the small door.

17. JV was transported to Connecticut Children's Medical Center. She disclosed at that time that she had been with Gault since her disappearance and that she spent nearly all of her time inside while at Gault's home. JV stated that she had not been to school. She stated that hair color had been changed at least four times. She reported that she had been using the alias Missy Murphy. She stated that Gault took her out of State on several occasions. She confirmed that the downstairs bedroom that contained the compartment where she was discovered was considered her bedroom. She stated that she had sexual intercourse within two days of her discovery, but would not say with whom. JV also disclosed that she recently had an abortion at Planned Parenthood in West Hartford, but would not disclose who the father was.

18. A third search warrant was obtained on 6-6-2007, broadening the scope of the search. Some of the several items seized by warrant on 6-6-07 include buccal swabs from Adam Gault, underpants from the

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room used by JV, an S&M body suit and collar set, and Planned Parenthood paperwork for a planned abortion in the name of Melissa Murphy which listed Kim Cray as the emergency contact.

19. During the execution search and seizure warrants at 258 Newington Road, in West Hartford, Kim Cray, a resident of the house, was interviewed. Cray spoke of the night that Gault and JV went to the Bloomfield Police Department (June 13th, 2006). She stated that Adam tried to get JV placed in his care after describing several abuses that JV had been subjected to at her home. Cray stated that JV was upset when she was sent home instead of being placed with Gault. Cray stated that she had picked JV up after school the next day, the day she went missing, and took her to Gault's house later that night.



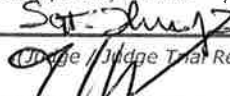
20. Cray stated that Gault went and spoke with an attorney about getting custody of JV, and stated that the attorney told Gault that they were "not on solid legal ground" to have custody of JV. Cray stated that they decided to bring JV to her (Cray's) father's house in Hebron for a while. Cray stated she and Gault took JV to Richard Cray's house, telling him that JV was Gault's niece who was up from Chicago for the summer. Cray stated that her father didn't really question them about it.

21. Cray also admitting that the JV recently had an abortion at Planned Parenthood using the name Melissa Murphy. Cray stated, "To the best of my knowledge Adam was not having sex with (JV)". Cray stated that JV told her that she was having sex with Jacob (Gault's son). Others interviewed in this case have explained that Cray had become jealous of JV, would not accept that Jacob was actually Gault's son, and would go to great lengths to gain Gault's favor and approval.

22. Cray's father has been interviewed and has confirmed that JV stayed there with Cray. He confirmed that JV had been at his house. He stated that Cray had asked if she could stay with him for a while because Gault gave her some vacation time, and that she asked if she could bring a friend. Cray explained to her father that her friend (JV) was Gault's niece who was visiting for the summer from Chicago. Cray's father stated that Gault visited JV just about every evening and would stay late.

23. On 6-8-07 a search and seizure warrant was obtained and executed on the West Hartford Planned Parenthood for records pertaining to JV's abortion under the fictitious name and DOB of Melissa Murphy

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(09/18/89). It was learned that, as a common matter of practice, a tissue sample from the aborted fetus was sent to Converge Diagnostic Services, a medical laboratory located in Peabody, MA.

24. On 6-11-2007 Affiant obtain a Massachusetts search warrant with the assistance of the MA State Police to seize the tissue sample and documents related to the sample tissue taken from JV's aborted fetus from Converge Diagnostic Services in Peabody, MA.

25. On 6-12-2007 the Massachusetts search warrant was executed with the assistance of the MA State Police. Both the tissue block and the related documents were transported back to the Bloomfield Police Department where they were logged into evidence.

26. On 6-13-2007 a search warrant was obtained allowing the Connecticut Forensic Science Laboratory to conduct forensic testing, analysis and comparison on the tissue sample from JV's the aborted fetus.

27. On 6-18-2007 buccal swabs were collected from JV for known DNA samples.

28. The Connecticut Forensic Science Laboratory has conducted DNA testing on several items. Extracted material obtained from the cuttings from the crotch area of both pair of underwear seized from the room where JV stayed in Gault's home, the known sample of Adam Gault, the known sample of JV and the tissue sample of the aborted fetus were analyzed.

29. The tissue sample taken from JV's aborted fetus during an abortion that occurred on 5-1-07 has been subjected to DNA testing. Results are consistent with JV being a parental contributor to the profile from the tissue sample from the aborted fetus. Furthermore, the results are consistent with Adam Gault being a parental contributor to the profile from the tissue sample from the aborted fetus.

30. Two (2) pair of underwear seized by search warrant on 6-6-07 from the downstairs bedroom used by JV at 258 Newington Road have been examined by the Forensic Lab. DNA has been extracted. A differential extraction was performed on cuttings from the crotch area of both items, differentiating the sample of each cutting into a sperm-rich fraction and an epithelial-rich fraction.

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31. The results are consistent with JV being the source of the DNA profiles from the epithelial-rich fractions of the cuttings from the crotch area of BOTH pair of underwear.
32. The results demonstrate that the sperm-rich fraction sample taken cutting from front crotch area of one pair of underwear is a mixture. JV cannot be eliminated as a contributor to the profile. Adam Gault is included as a contributor to the Identifiler STR profile. The PowerPlex-Y STR results are consistent with Adam Gault being the source of the PowerPlex-Y STR profile.
33. The Identifiler results demonstrate that the sperm-rich fraction sample taken cutting from front crotch area of the second pair of underwear reveal that JV is included as a contributor to the Identifiler STR profile.
34. The affiants are aware that gravity will cause seminal fluid ejaculated into the vagina during penile intercourse to drain and settle onto the crotch area of the undergarment worn by the female when she stands and redresses after intercourse. When sampled, the seminal fluid may contain a mixture of sperm cells from the male contributor and epithelial (skin) cells from the male and female due to friction between the penis and the vaginal wall during intercourse, and from female due to the shedding of skin cells while wearing the undergarment. Based on the facts and circumstances contained herein, it is reasonable to believe and the affiants do believe that Adam Gault did engage in penile intercourse with JV on multiple occasions while she was kept in his home and/or under his influence and control between 6-14-2006 and 6-6-2007.
35. In addition to collective training and experience of the affiants, the affiants have consulted with experts in the subject matter of child victimization, child sexual exploitation, and offender traits. One such consultation was with the Behavioral Analysis Unit-3 (BAU-3) of the National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime (NCAVC) at the FBI in Quantico, VA. Based on the overview provided by the affiants, BAU-3 members shared observations that Adam Gault grooms the young female victims he selects for these relationships in a variety of ways such as providing them with illicit drugs, alcohol, employment, attention, etc. Gault selects young female victims with low self-esteem, problems within their home life, and who are extremely vulnerable. These individuals can be categorized as "compliant victims" concerning their behavior

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as it relates to this type of relationship. The Affiants have also researched publications written by subject matter experts on the topics of child victimization, child sexual exploitation, and offender traits.

36. The affiants are aware that most child victims who are sexually exploited by an acquaintance are usually groomed or seduced carefully over time by the adult offender. The investigation has revealed that Gault had known JV for several years. JV had begun to work with Gault and was spending an increased amount of time with him in the months prior to her disappearance. Gault maintained a high volume of communication with JV by voice and text messaging via cell phone prior to JV's disappearance. Since her recovery from Gault's home JV has reported that she and Gault "clicked" right away.

37. The affiants are aware that such offenders establish and maintain control through the grooming or seduction process utilizing persuasive tactics such as providing attention, affection or gifts, and by "bending the rules" to allow the child to temporarily feel liberated and understood. JV told her friends that Adam was her boyfriend and that they were "in love". Investigators have learned that Gault had given JV a cell phone prior to her disappearance and that phone records reveal that JV's phone was used primarily for communication between JV and Gault.

38. The affiants have learned that Gault kept JV close by when they traveled and did not allow her to go off on her own. People who witnessed them during their travels have reported that Gault and "Missy" (JV) spent most of their time inside.

39. Since her recovery from Gault's home, JV has provided examples of relaxed rules, such as Gault allowing her to drive his vehicle, being able to stay up late, and not being required to do chores.

40. When Gault brought JV to Bloomfield Police Department to report allegations of abuse and neglect on June 13, 2006, the day before she disappeared, Gault initially did most of the talking and JV then repeated much of what Gault said. This scenario enabled Gault to lead JV, and to be perceived as advocating for her.

41. The affiants are aware that the child victim may repeatedly and voluntarily return to the offender as

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result of the offender's calculated allure. JV's mother reported her missing twice before she disappeared; once in December of 2005 and a second time in June of 2006 just prior to her disappearance. Since her recovery from Gault's home, JV has reported that she was with Gault on those occasions and reported that she stayed at his business in Bloomfield on at least one occasion.

42. The affiants are aware that a compelling factor in offender's seduction process is the disparity between the adult authority of the offender and the vulnerability of the child victim. The influential nature of this disparity is further increased when the offender is an admired authority, such as a teacher or a mentor. Investigation has revealed that Gault, a former business associate of JV's family, was considered to be an accomplished dog trainer. JV had begun to work with Gault where she was learning to train dogs. JV began to spend an increased amount of time with Gault in the months prior to her disappearance. The affiants have learned that during the time that JV was missing, Gault told people that he was teaching her to run a business. Since her recovery from Gault's home JV has reported that she viewed Gault as a role model.

43. The affiants are aware that skillful seduction by the offender can often result in a child victim that is compliant and acquiescent to the point that they may not realize or believe that they are being victimized. The affiants are aware that the adult offender eventually begins to lower the child victim's inhibitions in order to introduce sex. It is notable that while the verbal allegations made against JV's family by Gault and JV on 6-13-06 were serious in nature, JV wrote a note to a BPD officer during the complaint stating that she wanted to live with Adam Gault and Ann Murphy because she feels safe there, but more thoroughly described very typical juvenile concerns such as, "no one goes through my stuff", "they are easier to deal with", and "I don't get in trouble there". On the morning that JV was recovered from Gault's home, 6-6-07, Gault told affiant 1 (prior to her discovery) that it took him three (3) weeks to convince JV to go to the police to report allegations against her family. Since her recovery from Gault's home, JV has disclosed that the allegations made against her family were made-up and/or exaggerated by Gault. JV has stated that she did not want to make such claims against her family, but eventually did.

44. Investigators found that JV noted in her journal that her first day working was 11-5-2005. The journal indicates that she "started going out with" Gault, whom she referred to as "Tigger", on 11-8-2005. From 11-

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29-2005 through 12-18-2005, JV listed the occurrence of eleven (11) separate acts of sexual intercourse. Since her recovery from Gault's home, JV has disclosed Gault is "Tigger", that she was with Adam Gault the first time she tried marijuana in December of 2005 and that she had used marijuana almost daily during the time she was at Gault's home. The affiants have learned that Gault has a history of offering drugs and alcohol to minors, and are aware that drugs and alcohol are commonly used by sexual offenders to lower the inhibitions of their victims.

45. It is notable that JV was recording sexual activity with Gault in her journal several months before Gault brought her to the Police Department after convincing her to make false allegations against her family. The fact that he brought her to the police department served as a demonstration to JV that even though he was engaged in illegal sexual conduct with her he was not afraid of the authorities, and provides evidence of his own confidence about his control over her at that time.

46. The investigation has also revealed that Gault was telling fictitious stories about his relationship with JV prior to her disappearance. The affiants believe that this early introduction of lies was an important part of Gault's grooming technique, in which he slowly trained, or conditioned her, causing her to become accustomed to going along with it in order to maintain the attention and/or the feeling of being in love that she told her friend about. Since her recovery from Gault's home, JV has disclosed that the allegations made of abuse and neglect against her family were made-up and/or exaggerated by Gault.

47. The affiants are aware that children in the adolescence stage of development are typically easily sexually aroused, sexually curious, sexually inexperienced and may be somewhat rebellious; making them highly vulnerable to this stage of the seduction process. The writings in JV's journal have been corroborated. DNA evidence was found in a pair of JV underpants that were left in her bedroom prior to her disappearance and JV's friends have provided statements that JV confided she was having sex with an older man named Adam. Since her recovery from Gault's home, JV has disclosed that she was involved in a sexual relationship with Adam Gault for more than a year.

48. Adam Gault has been arrested for committing eleven (11) counts of sexual assault in the second degree and eleven (11) counts of risk of injury to a minor against JV from 11-29-2005 through 12-18-2005,

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several months prior to her disappearance. This is further corroboration that Gault was grooming or seducing JV prior to her disappearance.

49. On 6/15/2007 the FBI interviewed Bryce Shelton, a long-time acquaintance of Adam Gault. Shelton described Gault as a very strange individual who is very good at manipulating people, especially women. He said that Gault seeks out women or girls with very low self-esteem, and usually those that come from a troubled background. He described GAULT as a very controlling, paranoid individual, and he stated that GAULT went to great lengths to conceal his relationship with another young girl several years ago. He said that Gault has no real friends and trusts no one.

50. Based on the above facts and circumstances, the Affiants find it reasonable to believe, and do believe, that Adam Gault deliberately and proficiently groomed or seduced and deceived JV to the degree that he successfully lured JV to his home where she acquiesced to his influence and was kept under his control so that he could maintain access to her for his own sexual gratification. That by seducing, deceiving and conditioning JV to acquiesce to his influence, and by physically relocating JV, both within and beyond the borders of the State of Connecticut, in order to prevent her discovery by the police, Adam Gault's actions amount to the restraint and abduction of JV. That Adam Gault accomplished this with intent to violate and/or abuse JV sexually, and in doing so advanced and accomplished the commission of felonious sexual assaults of JV and interfered with the performance of the government function of public safety and law enforcement. That these actions and intentions constitute a violation of CGS section 53a-92, Kidnapping in the First Degree.

51. The Affiants find it reasonable to believe, and do believe, that between 6-14-2006 and 6-6-2007 Adam Gault continuously conspired with others in his household in order to accomplish and maintain the crime of Kidnapping. Both Kimberly Cray and Ann Murphy knew that JV was being hidden in the home. Windows were kept covered in the home. Kimberly Cray picked JV up after school on the day she disappeared and physically moved JV to other locations on more than one occasion to prevent police from discovering her. Ann Murphy assisted Gault in hiding JV in the storage space in an effort to prevent police from discovering her on the morning that JV was discovered, 6-6-07. That this constitutes a violation of section 53a-48/53a-92, Conspiracy to Commit Kidnapping in the First Degree.

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52. The Affiants find it reasonable to believe, and do believe, that on at least two (2) occasions while she was kidnapped between 6-14-2006 and 6-4-2007, Adam Gault did engage in sexual intercourse with JV, who is less than sixteen (16) years old. That these actions and intentions constitute violations of section of CGS section 53a-71(a)(1), Sexual Assault in the Second Degree. That each of the two (2) occasions supported by physical evidence constitutes a separate count.

53. The Affiants find it reasonable to believe, and do believe, that on at least two occasions while she was kidnapped 6-14-2006 and 6-6-2007, Adam Gault had contact with the intimate parts of JV who was under the age of sixteen years, and subjected JV to contact his intimate parts in a sexual and indecent manner likely to impair the health or morals of such child. That these actions and intentions occurred sometime between 6-14-2006 and 6-4-2007 and constitute the violation of CGS section 53-21, Impairing the Morals of a Child. That each of the two (2) occasions supported by physical evidence constitutes a separate count.

54. The Affiants find it reasonable to believe, and do believe, that on at least two occasions while she was kidnapped between 6-14-2006 and 6-6-2007, Adam Gault continuously conspired with Kimberly Cray and Ann Murphy in order to accomplish the crime of Impairing the Morals of a Child. That both Kimberly Cray and Ann Murphy conspired with Gault to maintain physical custody of JV, a child under the age of sixteen years, with no intention of returning her to her parents, and did so for the valuable consideration of Adam Gault's approval. Kimberly Cray picked JV up after school on the day she disappeared and physically moved JV to other locations on more than one occasion to prevent police from discovering her. Windows were kept covered in the home to conceal JV inside. Ann Murphy assisted Gault in hiding JV in the storage space on 6-6-07 in an effort to prevent police from discovering her on the morning that JV was ultimately discovered. That by conspiring with Kimberly Cray and Ann Murphy, Adam Gault willfully and unlawfully caused JV to be placed in such a situation where he could sexually exploit her. That these actions and intentions constitute the violation of section 53a-48/53-21, Conspiracy to Commit Impairing the Morals of a Child. That each of the two (2) occasions in which physical evidence that Gault subjected JV to contact his intimate parts in a sexual and indecent manner exist constitutes a separate count.

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55. That, Based on the facts and circumstances contained herein, the undersigned Affiants respectfully request that an arrest warrant be issued for Adam Gault (DOB: 1-28-1966), charging him with the following offenses, which occurred between 6-14-2006 and 6-4-2007 in the towns of Bloomfield and West Hartford, Connecticut:

53a-92	Kidnapping in the First Degree
53a-48/53a-92	Conspiracy to Commit Kidnapping in the First Degree
53a-70	Sexual Assault in the Second Degree (2 counts)
53-21	Impairing the Morals of a Child (2 counts)
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