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### IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT, SALT LAKE DEPARTMENT

### IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SALT LAKE, STATE OF UTAH

THE STATE OF UTAH, Plaintiff, vs.	Screened by: HOMICIDE TEAM Assigned to: TO BE ASSIGNED <b>DOMESTIC VIOLENCE</b> INFORMATION
JAVIER RAFAEL PEDREGON-MAGANA, DOB: 09/04/2000 AKA: Big Payaso; Javier Pedregon-Magana; Payaso;; Paya 7011 S 1300 W, Apt B10 West Jordan, UT 84084 OTN#: 68152073 SO#: 420623 SID#/BCI#: 3052786 Booking#: 24059607	
Defendant.	Case No.

The undersigned Agent Z. Fallows - State Bureau of Investigation, Agency Case No. 242401115, upon a written declaration states on information and belief that the defendant, JAVIER RAFAEL PEDREGON-MAGANA, committed the crime(s) of:

#### COUNT 1

ATTEMPTED MURDER (DV), 76-5-203, a First Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about December 25, 2024, in Salt Lake County, the defendant did attempt to (a) intentionally or knowingly cause the death of another;

(b) intending to cause serious bodily injury to another, commit an act clearly dangerous to human life that caused the death of another;

(c) acting under circumstances evidencing a depraved indifference to human life, knowingly

engage in conduct which created a grave risk of death to another and thereby caused the death of another;

(d)(i) engage in the commission, attempted commission, or immediate flight from the commission or attempted commission of any predicate offense, or was a party to the predicate offense; and

(ii) a person other than a party as defined in Utah Code Section 76-2-202 was killed in the course of the commission, attempted commission, or immediate flight from the commission or attempted commission of any predicate offense; and

(iii) the actor acted with the intent required as an element of the predicate offense;

Furthermore, the defendant was a cohabitant of the victim.

# COUNT 2

FAILURE TO RESPOND TO OFFICER'S SIGNAL TO STOP, 41-6A-210, a Third Degree Felony, as follows: That on or about December 26, 2024, in Salt Lake County, the defendant did after receiving a visual or audible signal from a law enforcement officer to bring the vehicle to a stop:

(i) operated the motor vehicle in willful or wanton disregard of the signal so as to interfere with or endanger the operation of any vehicle or person; or

(ii) attempt to flee or elude a law enforcement officer by vehicle or other means.

# THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON EVIDENCE OBTAINED FROM THE FOLLOWING WITNESSES:

Agent Z. Fallows, K.J. Trooper Auger, S.M., L.M., and Trooper O. Johansen-Gavigan

# DECLARATION OF PROBABLE CAUSE:

Your affiant bases probable cause on information and evidence collected by State Bureau of Investigations, Case No. 242401115 and the following:

The statement of K.J. that on December 25, 2024, at approximately 10:30 pm, she was traveling South on I-15 in the far-right lane when she observed a black sedan with its headlights turned off on the ramp of exit 303, in Salt Lake County. K.J. stated that she observed a person jump out of the black sedan and start running towards the right shoulder away from the black sedan. The black sedan then turned perpendicular to the right-hand barrier accelerating towards the person who was running. It appeared that the driver of the black sedan was trying to run over the person who had ran from the vehicle. The person running quickly jumped over the cement barrier. The black sedan then swerved to avoid hitting the cement barrier and turned its headlights on. The black sedan then continued driving south on I-15. K.J. called 911 and provided details of what she saw as well as GPS coordinates of where she originally saw the black sedan.

The statement of Utah Highway Patrol Trooper Auger that he responded to the scene and located J.M-A. walking on the right shoulder near 2700 South, I-15 Southbound, in Salt Lake County. J.M-A. was disoriented and had blood-soaked clothes. Troopers provided aid to J.M-A. and observed a laceration straight across his right forearm that was bleeding heavily. J.M-A. also had blood all around his right shoulder from lacerations and stab wounds. J.M-A. struggled to remain conscious and was transported to IMC hospital.

The statement of S.M. that on December 25, 2024, they, J.M-A., JAVIER RAFEAL PEDREGON-MAGANA (AKA BIG PAYASO, PAYA), and other family members were celebrating Christmas together. J.M-A. and PEDREGON-MAGANA left to return to their home in West Jordan. Around 10:35 pm, S.M. received a call from J.M-A. saying that he had been stabbed by PEDREGON-MAGANA. J.M-A. said that PEDREGON-MAGANA left him and took his car.

The statement of L.M. that on December 25, 2024 he missed a call from J.M-A but then received a text from J.M-A saying "Paya just stabbed me."

The statement of Utah Highway Patrol Trooper O. Johansen-Gavigan that on December 26, 2024, in Salt Lake County, Troopers were informed that PEDREGON-MAGANA was circling IMC hospital in J.M-A.'s Lexus. While Troopers where in route to IMC hospital, Troopers located the Lexus. Troopers activate their emergency lights and sirens, but the Lexus did not stop. Troopers attempted to PIT the Lexus, the Lexus attempted to accelerate away, but ended up pinned between Troopers vehicles. Troopers called the driver out and confirmed it was PEDREGON-MAGANA driving the Lexus.

Post-Miranda PEDREGON-MAGANA stated that there was a hit out on his brother, J.M-A., as J.M-A. was suspected of snitching. While in Reno, PEDREGON-MAGANA was asked to kill J.M-A. for \$25,000 to have his name "cleared" because PEDREGON-MAGANA also had hit orders against him. PEDREGON-MAGANA claimed that he had another man hiding in the trunk of J.M-A's car and while they were driving away from the Christmas gathering, he lowered the back seat, and the other man attacked J.M-A. When J.M-A. got out of the car, PEDREGON-MAGANA to hit J.M-A. with the car, but PEDREGON-MAGANA missed. PEDREGON-MAGANA then dropped the other man off.

### MOTION FOR NO BAIL HOLD:

Pursuant to Utah Code 77-20-201(1) the State requests that Defendant be held without bail until further notice in this matter on the following grounds:

The defendant is now charged with a felony while on probation for misdemeanor convictions in case 201901913, and there is substantial evidence to support the current charges.

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The defendant is charged with felonies and based upon the above probable cause statement, there is substantial evidence supporting the charges and clear and convincing evidence that the defendant would constitute a substantial danger to any other individual or to the community or is likely to flee the jurisdiction of the court, if released on bail.

The defendant is currently in the Salt Lake County Jail being held on a No Bail warrant in case 201901913 where he was convicted of Purchase, Transfer, Possession, Use of a Firearm by a Restricted Person, a Class A Misdemeanor and Use or Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Class B Misdemeanor. There is currently an Order to Show Cause hearing scheduled for January 16, 2025, before Judge Nielsen.

The defendant is a documented known gang member of Florencia 13.

In this case, the defendant and the victim are blood brothers. The brothers were celebrating Christmas and while enroute to their home in West Jordan, the defendant attacked the victim, stabbing him multiple times and then attempted to run him over with the car. The victim lost a significant amount of blood. The defendant then admitted that he was asked to kill his brother for \$25,000 to clear his name because the defendant also had a hit order on him. When Troopers located the defendant, he failed to stop after emergency lights and sirens were activated. Due to the defendant's gang status, him fleeing from Troopers, his current no bail warrant, and the severity of the charges, the defendant should be held in jail with no bail.

Pursuant to Utah Code Annotated § 78B-18a-106 (2018) I declare under criminal penalty of the State of Utah that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my belief and knowledge.

Executed on: 6th day of January, 2025.

/s/ Z. FALLOWS Declarant

Authorized for presentment and filing:

SIM GILL, District Attorney

/s/ Morgan Vedejs Deputy District Attorney 6th day of January, 2025 MV / MM / DAO # 24.023096

# **OTHER PENDING CASES FOR THE DEFENDANT**

Court	Court Case #	Trial Judge	DAO #	Charge
WJ	201901913	HOGAN	20001764	WeapCatIIRestPersFirearm-, PCS- B, PossParaph-B, PossConsumeAlcMinor-B, OpenContainer-C
Third District Court, SALT LAKE DEPARTMENT	221907465	Hogan, L. Douglas	22.004327	No active charges
Third District Court, SALT LAKE DEPARTMENT			22.005320	No active charges