

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

CATAWBA COUNTY

**IN THE MATTER OF**  
21 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue Northwest  
Hickory, North Carolina 28601

**FILED**  
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE  
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION  
File No.

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**MOTION TO SEAL SEARCH WARRANT**

Now comes the State by and through the undersigned Assistant District Attorney and moves the Court pursuant to N.C.G.S. 132-1.4(e), (k) to seal the above-referenced search warrant and its return, and in support thereof, alleges:

1. On October 09, 2010 approximately 2:00PM Zahra Baker was reported missing from 21 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue Northwest in Hickory, North Carolina.
2. The investigation by the Hickory Police Department and other state and federal law enforcement agencies indicates that the missing person, Zahra Baker was last seen at the residence of 21 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue Northwest Hickory, North Carolina 28601.
3. The investigation of the missing person is ongoing.
5. The release of the information contained in the search warrant would jeopardize the right of the State to prosecute a defendant or defendants, or jeopardize the right of a defendant or defendants to receive a fair trial, or undermine an ongoing or future investigation.

WHEREFORE, The State of North Carolina respectfully moves the Court to seal this search warrant and its return until further order of the Court.

Respectfully submitted, this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

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Assistant District Attorney  
25<sup>th</sup> Prosecutorial District

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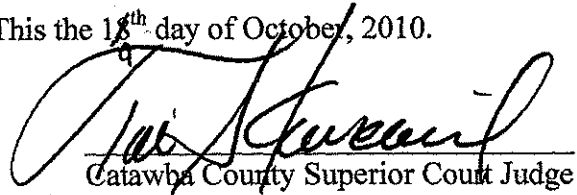
ORDER

THIS CAUSE coming on to be heard and being heard by the undersigned Superior Court Judge, upon motion by the State to seal a certain search warrant and its return;

AND it appearing to the Court that the release of information contained in said court order, application, and motion and its return will potentially undermine an ongoing investigation or jeopardize the right of the State to prosecute a defendant or defendants or jeopardize the right of a defendant or defendants to receive a fair trial,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this search warrant and its return be sealed and not released to the public until further order of the Court.

This the 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

  
Catawba County Superior Court Judge