



7. Before the Whites left their home to go on vacation in April, I was aware that Joe White asked Dave if we could let the dogs out in the Whites' fenced-in backyard to play and throw the ball in the daytime during the Whites' vacation.

8. Jayden and Ryleigh and I had been in the Whites' yard on other occasions to pet the dogs, and the Whites knew the girls liked the dogs.

9. Joe White programmed his security system so that we could gain entry to the house by punching in the four numbers of Dave's birthday (0205) on the number pad on the front door.

10. On April 25, 2021, two days before the attack, Jayden and I went to the Whites' house and played with the dogs in the Whites' backyard.

11. On April 25, 2021, I texted with Mandy White to show her that Jayden and I were playing with the dogs as requested by the Whites. I texted photographs of Jayden in the Whites' backyard, throwing the ball for the dogs to retrieve.

12. Attachment 1 to this affidavit is a true and accurate copy of the texts and photographs that were exchanged between Mandy White and me on April 25, 2021, two days before the attack, as accurately captured by screen shot.

13. On April 27, 2021, at approximately 5:15 p.m., Jayden and I went to the Whites' house to let the dogs onto the deck and into the backyard to play with them.

14. Jayden and I let the dogs out the backdoor of the house onto the back deck and into the backyard.

15. The dogs ran into the backyard and Jayden remained on the deck near the door. I briefly looked inside the house for some squeaky balls to throw with the dogs. I returned to the backdoor, and Jayden and I then walked down from the deck into the backyard to play with the dogs. I was with Jayden in the backyard before and during the attack.

16. Jayden was playing fetch with the dogs by throwing a ball for the dogs to retrieve and bring back to Jayden.

17. On one occasion when Jayden threw the ball, the dogs did not chase the ball. So Jayden started running after the ball.

18. As Jayden ran, she tripped and fell.

19. When Jayden fell, the bigger of the two dogs (Blitzen) ran toward her and jumped on top of her. I quickly realized that Blitzen was not playing and was in fact attacking Jayden. I sprinted toward Jayden.

20. Blitzen attacked and bit Jayden's head and scalp. The other dog (Athena) then joined the attack on Jayden, primarily biting Jayden's legs.

21. I hit, kicked, and pulled on Blitzen, trying to get it to release Jayden and screaming for help the whole time. Blitzen continued its attack of Jayden. I was unable to get Blitzen to release Jayden, so I began hitting and pulling on Athena in an attempt to get Athena off of Jayden.

22. In response to me hitting Athena, Athena attacked me. As Athena bit my arms, I moved away from Jayden, hoping that if one dog got away from Jayden, both dogs would move away from Jayden. Athena continued to bite and tear my arms. I became incapacitated due to my injuries and loss of blood. I was unable to resume her efforts to rescue Jayden.

23. Blitzen moved from biting Jayden's head to her neck, locking his jaws and teeth deep into her neck.

24. Blake Dicello is a Raleigh police officer, lived across the street from the Whites. Upon information and belief, when Blake Dicello heard the attack in progress, he ran to the Whites' residence to try to rescue Jayden and me. He was able to stop the dogs from continuing their attack. Unfortunately, Blake Dicello arrived too late to save Jayden's life, but I believe he saved

my life. Blake Dicello was a true hero that day. Other neighbors arrived and cared for Jayden and me until EMS personnel transported Jayden and me to Wake Medical Center in Raleigh, North Carolina.

25. After the attack on April 27, 2021, I learned that the dogs had a history of aggressive, dangerous, and hostile behavior. We were not aware of this history before the attack.

26. Ultimately, Jayden's scalp was torn loose and she sustained numerous bites on her body, including around her neck, in the attack by the two dogs. We have not yet received the autopsy report. Jayden was pronounced dead at Wake Medical Center on April 27, 2021, and it was obvious to everyone that she died as a result of injuries that she sustained in the dog attack.

27. I was hospitalized for a week for treatment of the many bite and tear injuries inflicted in the dog attack. I sustained severe injuries that will leave permanent scarring, at a minimum, and likely nerve damage, as well as mental and emotional trauma caused by this attack.

28. In addition to the physical pain that I have experienced and continue to experience from the injuries I sustained in the attack, the emotional impact of Jayden's death has been devastating. Life will never be the same and we will miss Jayden every day for the rest of our lives.

29. Dave and I were shocked when we learned that the Whites were attempting to get the dogs back. These dogs are killers. The untrue things that the Whites have asserted about us when communicating with the Town and in the lawsuit filed on Tuesday has been very difficult to understand. The possibility that the dogs could be released/freed and returned to the Whites, through litigation or a decision from the Town, is deeply upsetting. If the dogs were to be released/freed, it would cause additional mental and emotional distress, both in knowing that the animals that killed Jayden are out there and in concern for the potential of another attack causing

more injury. I feel strongly that Dave and I, as the parents of our daughter who was killed by these dogs, are victims in this case. Likewise, I feel that I am the victim in the attack upon me.

30. As the victims immediately affected by the dog attack, Dave and I feel a moral obligation to people everywhere to oppose the release of these dogs to the Whites or to anyone else. We believe very strongly that regardless of the precautions the Whites might take to prevent the dogs from ever being exposed to any other person again, there is no guarantee that the dogs might not escape.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

**VERIFICATION**

I, Heather Leigh Trevaskis, being first duly sworn, depose and say that I have read the foregoing and know the contents thereof, that the same is true of my own knowledge, except as to those matters and things stated therein upon information and belief, and as to those I believe them to be true.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2021.

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HEATHER LEIGH TREVASKIS

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF WAKE

I, Jeffrey R. Monroe, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, certify that Nicholas Hurysh, Jr., being personally known to me, came before me this day and acknowledged that he voluntarily executed the foregoing for the purposes stated therein.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Notary Public Signature

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Notary Public's printed or typed name

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_