

STATE OF ARIZONA Plaintiff -vs- <u>Tiffany Lee Hecker</u> Defendant (FIRST, MI, LAST)
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[CASE/COMPLAINT NO.] 20070220288 Booking No. _____
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RELEASE QUESTIONNAIRE (To be completed by Law Enforcement)

Alias(es) None

(Check and explain where applicable)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Charges: ARS 13-1104.A Second Degree Murder C1F
ARS 13-3623A1 Child Abuse C4F

Offense Date: 01-22-07 Offense Time: 1004 hours

Location: 2835 E. Concho Ave Mesa, AZ 85204

Arrest Date: 1-27-07 Arrest Time: 0657 hours

Arrest Location: 1440 S. Parkcrest Mesa, AZ 85206

A. PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

1. Summarize and include the facts which establish **probable cause for the crime(s) charged**. Certain felonies may be non-bondable and require facts which establish **proof evident or presumption great** for the crime(s) charged. These include (1) felonies involving a capital offense, sexual assault, sexual conduct with a minor who was under fifteen years of age, or molestation of a child who is under fifteen years of age, (2) any class 1, 2, 3, or 4 felony or any violation of § 28-1383 if the person has entered or remained in the United States illegally, and (3) felony offenses committed when the person charged is already admitted to bail on a separate felony charge.

Explain the crime(s) in detail (e.g., arresting officer or other law enforcement officers witnessed offense, physical evidence directly connects defendant to offense, multiple eyewitnesses, defendant admissions, victim statements, nature of injuries; incriminating photographic, audio, visual, or computer evidence, defendant attempted to flee or resist arrest):

On 01-22-07, at about 1022 hours, det. cooper and I responded to Chandler Regional Hospital regarding a death of an infant. Chandler detectives were already at the hospital conducting the investigation. We were told the death of the newborn had occurred at 2835 E. Concho in Mesa. When I arrived at the hospital, the mother of the newborn, Tiffany Hecker, said she had given birth to the baby in the toilet and it was stillborn. She told the nurses at the hospital and Chandler detectives the baby was born stillborn. At about 0830 hours, Tiffany and her mom, Joy Hecker, arrived at the hospital with the baby in a plastic garbage bag along with the intact placenta. Tiffany was admitted to the hospital and I subsequently interviewed her. She said that she thought she might be pregnant, but never took a pregnancy test or received any prenatal care. She was feeling ill earlier in the morning around 0200 hours, when she drove home from her boyfriend Jeramie's house (whom was later confirmed through DNA to be the father of the newborn). At about 0530 hours, Tiffany was sitting on the toilet in her home and said she felt something happening. She said she didn't know what was happening and then she gave birth to a baby inside the toilet. She said later in the interview that the baby made a sound and she saw his "stomach" move. She picked the baby out of the toilet and the baby stopped moving. She held the baby for a little while and at some point put the baby back in the toilet. She sat down on the toilet again and delivered the placenta. She took the baby out of the toilet and placed it on some towels on the floor. She then told her mom she had given birth to a baby and it was dead. Her mom never went to look at the baby and told Tiffany to get a plastic garbage bag and put the baby in the bag and take it outside to the trashcan. Tiffany did this and about 10 minutes later she said that wasn't the right thing to do with a baby and took it out of the trash can and put it in the trunk of their car. Tiffany and Joy tried to talk to their doctor, Dr. Patel for advice, but they didn't get any help from him, so they decided to drive to Chandler Regional Hospital with the baby, placenta, and the towels in the trunk of the car. Tiffany denies drowning, smothering, or injuring the baby either intentionally or accidental. An autopsy revealed the baby was a full term male and was alive at birth. The infant, placenta and umbilical cord were normal. There is no competent cause of death or natural disease or toxicological findings and was classified as a homicide. On 11-27-07 at 0657 hours, Tiffany Hecker was taken into custody. She was transported to 130 N. Robson Mesa, AZ., for an interview. Post Miranda: Tiffany Hecker asked for an attorney and was not interviewed in reference to the charges.

Approved by Sgt. Collins #7152

APPROVED BY
11-27-2007

2. The person entered or remained in the United States illegally. Explain in detail (e.g., admission by the person, statements of co-defendants at the time of arrest, verification of illegal presence or proceeding establishing illegal presence): No
3. The crime(s) occurred while the person was admitted to bail on any separate felony. Provide information on the separate felony: No

C. OTHER INFORMATION

1. Defendant is presently on probation, parole or any other form of release involving other charges or convictions. Explain: No

2. List any prior:
Arrests: None

Convictions: None

Failures to Appear (FTA): None

Protective Orders: None

3. There is an indication of:
 Alcohol Abuse Other Substance Abuse
 Mental Health Issues Physical Illness
 Developmental Disability
Explain: _____

4. Defendant is employed by: Unemployed
Address: _____
Phone: _____
How long: _____

5. Defendant resides at: 2835 E. Concho Ave Mesa, AZ
With Whom: Parents
How Long: _____
Alternate address for court notification: 1440 S. Parkcrest Mesa, AZ 85206

6. Facts to indicate defendant will flee if released: None

7. Reasons to oppose an unsecured release: Nature of Crime

D. CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE OFFENSE

1. Defendant used firearm or other weapon
Type: _____

2. Defendant injured someone.
Explain: Defendant gave birth in toilet and did not assist in sustaining the baby's life.

3. Medical attention was necessary
Nature of injuries: _____

4. Defendant threatened someone
Nature of threats: _____

5. If property offense
a. Value of property taken/damaged: _____
b. Property was recovered

Names of co-defendant(s), if any: _____

E. CRIME(S) AGAINST PERSONS

1. Relationship of defendant to victim: Mother

2. Victim(s) and defendant reside together.

3. Law enforcement learned of the situation by Victim
 Third Party Officer observation

4. Previous incidents involving these same parties
Explain: _____

5. Defendant is currently the subject of:
 Order of Protection
 Injunction against Harassment
 Other court order: _____

6. Likelihood of inappropriate contact with victim(s)
Explain: _____

7. Victim(s) expressed an opinion on defendant's release.
Explain: _____

F. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DEFENDANT ISSUES

- Access to or use of weapons
- Children/Vulnerable adults present
- Crime occurred in public
- Control/ownership/jealousy issues
- Depression
- Frequency/intensity of Domestic Violence increasing
- Kidnapping
- Potential for multiple violations of court orders
- Prior history of Domestic Violence
- Prior Protective Order
- Recent separations
- Stalking behavior
- Threats of homicide/suicide/bodily harm
- Violence against children, vulnerable adults or animals
Explain: _____

G. CIRCUMSTANCES OF ARREST

1. Did defendant attempt to:
 Avoid arrest Resist arrest Self Surrender
 Explain: _____
2. Defendant was armed when arrested
 Type of weapon: No
3. Evidence of the offense was found in defendant's possession
 Explain: _____
4. State whether defendant was under the influence of alcohol or drugs at the time of the offense
 Yes No Unknown
 Type of substance: _____

I certify that the information presented is true to the best of my knowledge:

11-27-07
Date

H. DRUG OFFENSES

1. If the defendant is considered to be a drug dealer, state the supporting facts: N/A
2. State quantities and types of illegal drugs directly involved with offense _____
 Methamphetamine was involved:
 Drug field test was positive:
 Defendant admission of drug type: _____
 Approximate monetary value of drugs: _____
3. State evidence of illegal drug use _____
4. State whether money was seized
 Yes No
 Amount: _____

If this is a fugitive arrest, complete the affidavit as required by the Uniform Criminal Extradition Act (ARS § 13-3841 et seq.)

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