

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BUCHANAN COUNTY, MISSOURI

Date: 3-25-2022

Case Number: 2022-00166

OCN:

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

I, **Captain Shawn Collie**, a member of the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office, Drug Strike Force, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state the facts contained herein are true.

1. I have probable cause to believe that on **3-25-2022**, at (location)**2332 S. 22nd Street**, in Buchanan County, MO, that **Francisco, Brandon J.**, B/ M, DOB **12-06-1985**, SSN **437-59-3654**, committed (1) one or more criminal offense(s):

Felon In Possession of a Firearm

2. The facts supporting this belief are (State facts including date and time):

On Friday March 25, 2022, Investigators from the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office and Detectives with the St. Joseph, MO Police Department, assigned to the Midwest Violent Fugitive Task Force were assigned to locate and arrest Brandon J. Francisco, who was wanted out of the State of Louisiana for FTA on charges of Attempted Murder, Conspiracy to Commit Murder, Armed Robbery, Unlawful Use of a Movable and Obstruction of Justice. During the investigation, it was found Francisco was scheduled for trial on the above charges when he fled the state to avoid prosecution.

During the course of the investigation Francisco was observed at 2310 Sacramento Street in St. Joseph, where he was seen standing outside a tan colored Lincoln car, leaning into the passenger side console and floor board area. Francisco was then seen getting into the passenger seat of the vehicle, a second subject got into the driver seat and shortly after the vehicle left.

The vehicle was followed to the Casey's General Store at 2332 S. 22nd Street, where it parked in front of the entrance. The driver exited the vehicle and went into the store. Law Enforcement Officers observed Francisco still sitting in the front passenger seat and moved in to block the vehicle and take Francisco into custody. Brandon J. Francisco was arrested from the front passenger seat. On the floorboard at his feet, officers located a SCCY, Model CPX-1, Serial Number C170435, 9mm handgun with a CT Red Dot Optic. The firearm was loaded with four (four) live rounds in the magazine, empty chamber.

A consent to search was granted from the home owners of 2310 Sacramento where Francisco was seen leaving. Within the area of the basement where Francisco was staying, but also used as a laundry room by others in the house, investigators located clothing believed to be Francisco's. Within the clothing, investigators located a Hi-Point Model CF380, 380ACP, serial number P874769 (no magazine). In a bag with shoes, investigators located a magazine labeled "SCCY" believed to be for the SCCY firearm located in the car at the time of arrest.

Francisco has multiple felony convictions, to include crimes of violence, which prohibits him from purchasing and/or possessing a firearm.

Based on Francisco's criminal history of felony convictions and his time served in prison, I believe Francisco possessed the said firearms knowing of their illegal nature and that he is prohibited by law from possessing said firearms.

3. For issuance of a warrant in a misdemeanor case or when if appropriate:

a. I believe that the defendant poses a danger to the crime victim and/or a danger to the community or any other person because

FRANCISCO has a violent criminal history in Louisiana, to include 2003 conviction of Possession of Stolen Firearm, 2008 Conviction of Statutory Rape, and a 2008 conviction of Attempted Second Degree Murder.

FRANCISCO is a convicted Sex Offender in Louisiana, he is required to register by state and federal law. FRANCISCO is registered in Louisiana but has failed to register in Buchanan County, Missouri as required by law.

FRANCISCO was scheduled to stand trial for Attempted Murder, Conspiracy to Commit Murder, Armed Robbery, Unlawful Use of a Movable and Obstruction of Justice and fled the state of Louisiana prior to the start of trial.

Shawn Collie

Officer – Printed



Officer – Signature