

INFORMATION

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SUPERIOR COURT

Disposition date

Police Case number
CFS2400276740

Agency name
Connecticut State Police - Troop C

Agency number
0600

Title, Allegation and Counts

State of Connecticut vs. (Name of accused)
Lachause, Joseph G

Residence (Town) of accused
Stafford, CT

Docket number

Address
[Redacted] **Stafford, CT**

Date of birth
2/13/63

The undersigned Prosecuting Authority of the Superior Court of the State of Connecticut charges that:

To be held at (Town)
Rockville

Geographical area number
19

Court date

Count One — Did commit the offense of:
Possessing child pornography 1st Degree (7counts)

Continued to Purpose Reason

At (Town) On or about (Date) In violation of General Statute number
Stafford 2/1/13-3/31/13 53a-196d

Count Two — Did commit the offense of:

At (Town) On or about (Date) In violation of General Statute number

Count Three — Did commit the offense of:

At (Town) On or about (Date) In violation of General Statute number

See other sheet for additional counts Date **9/25/24** Signed (Prosecuting Authority) *ahelly d. spiro*

Court Action

Defendant advised of rights before plea (Judge) (Date) Bond Surety 10 % Election (Date) Cash CT JY Attorney Public defender Guardian Bond change Seized property inventory number

Count	Plea date	Plea	Plea withdrawn		Verdict finding	Fine	Remit	Additional disposition
			Date	New plea				
1						\$	\$	
2						\$	\$	
3						\$	\$	

Date	Other Court Action	Judge

Receipt number Cost IMP NCI Bond information Bond forfeited Forfeiture vacated Forfeiture vacated and bond reinstated Application fee - receipt number if paid Circle one W I Q Program fee - receipt number if paid Circle one W I Q Probation fee - receipt number if paid Circle one W I Q Prosecutor on original disposition Reporter/monitor on original disposition Signed (Clerk) Signed (Judge)

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<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

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Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) Lachausse, Joseph G	Residence (Town) of accused Stafford, CT	Court to be held at (Town) Rockville
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Application For Arrest Warrant

To: A Judge of the Superior Court

The undersigned hereby applies for a warrant for the arrest of the above-named accused on the basis of the facts set forth in the: Affidavit Below. Affidavit(s) Attached.

Date 9/25/24	Signed (Prosecuting authority) <i>Ashely A. Sgro</i>	Type/print name of prosecuting authority Ashely Sgro
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Affidavit

The undersigned affiant, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- That the affiant, Sergeant James Kodzis #CC82, being duly sworn, does depose and state that he is a regular sworn member of the Town of Stafford Connecticut Police Department and has been a member of said department since September 2, 2015. The affiant was also previously a sworn member of the Connecticut State Police Department from July 1992 until September 1, 2015. At all times mentioned herein the affiant was acting as an official member of said department. The following facts and circumstances are stated from personal knowledge, observation, and investigation, as well as, the information received from fellow Troopers/ Police Officers acting in their official capacity, and from official police reports.
- That, in accordance with section 54-86e of the Connecticut General Statutes, the names and addresses of the Reporting Party and Witness in this investigation will be withheld from this affidavit. A [redacted] year old female residing [redacted] with a (DOB: [redacted]), will be referred to as the Reporting Party throughout the body of this affidavit. A [redacted] year old female residing in [redacted] with a (DOB: [redacted]), will be referred to as Witness #1 throughout the body of this affidavit. The accused, a sixty one (61) year old white male residing in Stafford, CT, Joseph Lachausse (DOB: 02/13/1963), will be referred to as the Accused throughout the body of this affidavit.
- That on 7/20/24 at approximately 1116 hours this Affiant was assigned by Connecticut State Police Troop C Dispatch to contact a reporting party regarding [redacted] possibly being involved in "child porn". I spoke to the initial reporting party via phone, who explained that she had been told by [redacted] the Accused, was in possession of "child porn". She had obtained this information via [redacted] and it was learned that the only individual with first-hand knowledge of the allegation was [redacted] Witness #1. On 7/20/24 this Affiant contacted the Witness and scheduled an interview for the following day.
- That on 7/21/24 at approximately 1000 hours this Affiant met Witness #1 at [redacted] and obtained a written and signed statement in which she explained the following:

"I, Witness #1, am at [redacted] voluntarily to speak to Investigators about [redacted]"

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Date 9/25/24	Signed (Affiant) <i>[Signature]</i>
Jurat <i>[Signature]</i>	Signed (Judge/Clerk, Commissioner of Superior Court, Notary Public) <i>[Signature]</i>

Finding

The foregoing Application for an arrest warrant, and affidavit(s) attached to said Application, having been submitted to and considered by the undersigned, the undersigned finds from said affidavit(s) that there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed and that the accused committed it and, therefore, that probable cause exists for the issuance of a warrant for the arrest of the above-named accused.

Date and Signature <i>Vernon Rabin</i>	Signed at (City or town) Rockville	On (Date) 9-25-24	Signed (Judge/Judge Trial Referee) <i>[Signature]</i>	Name of Judge/Judge Trial Referee Richard Rabin
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images / videos I have observed on his e-mail accounts. I understand that I am free to leave at any time. I have

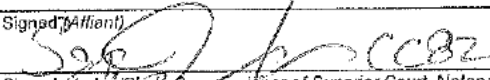

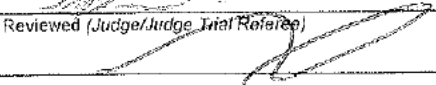
[REDACTED]

I learned he was sending and receiving dirty photos. He admitted that he was molested for [REDACTED] from the ages of [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] and he admitted that he is a "sex addict". He is addicted to porn and would send photographs of his private parts (penis) to unknown numbers. In January of 2024 he went away to [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] for 43 days of treatment. He also went to a second treatment place for 43 days in [REDACTED]. There was improvement in the way he spoke to me. I got him a "Bark" phone [REDACTED] which monitors his movements, locations and will block inappropriate sites as well as send me a notification. He was aware of the capabilities of this device [REDACTED] monitor his activity. I ordered the phone based on his history and on recommendation of his therapists. He had the phone since February 2024. He goes to a 12 step program for sex addiction anonymous "SAA". [REDACTED] went to stay at a hotel in Vernon. I went onto my laptop and went into his e-mail. He knows that I have access and passwords to his e-mail [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. I was looking through his past e-mails and saw an e-mail from [REDACTED] during the time period of about august through may of 2013. I saw a video titled "Asian toddler and mom" which showed of what appeared to be an Asian approximately 3yr old toddler and mother. The mother was [REDACTED] the girl. Another one was what appeared to be a 4-6 year old girl say [REDACTED] and on the adults instruction the girl [REDACTED]. Another video titled [REDACTED] showed what appeared to be a 8-10 year old girl [REDACTED] from an unknown male and it looked like [REDACTED]. I believe the videos i saw were on the [REDACTED]. After seeing the videos I confronted him and he agreed that he will be going back to treatment. [REDACTED] I spoke to his [REDACTED] and advised that the Accused had stuff with kids on he e-mail account so the family would know he needs more treatment."

5. That while this Affiant was speaking with Witness #1 she explained that she discovered seven videos containing child pornography, as defined in section 53a-196d, in the Accused's email, [REDACTED]. As explained by Witness #1 in her statement she has access to the Accused's email and can view its contents. Although the material was sent and or received in 2013 the material was currently available within the Accused's [REDACTED] account. Based on your Affiant's training and experience, we know that items which hold evidentiary value and are in digital form, especially images and videos that are stored remotely, can easily be destroyed. Therefore, based on exigent circumstances, Witness #1 voluntarily provided Affiant #1 with those videos. The video's were titled as follows:

- a. "[REDACTED]" from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] com Dated Mon, Mar 4 2013 at 9:03 AM

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Reviewed (Prosecutorial Official) Anthony A. Spina	Date 9/25/24
Reviewed (Judge/Judge Trial Referee) 	Date 9-25-24

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b. [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]
Dated Mon, Mar 4 2013 at 8:58 AM

c. [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]
Dated Mon, Mar 4 2013 at 8:00 AM

d. [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]
Dated Mon, Mar 4 2013 at 7:53 AM

e. [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]
Dated Wed, Feb 27 2013 at 10:42 AM

f. [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]
Dated Wed, Feb 27 2013 at 10:36 AM

g. [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]
Dated Mon, Feb 25 2013 at 8:32 AM

This attachment also showed subject [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] sent on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 8:08 AM

6. That, to ensure the videos provided by Witness #1 functioned and contained said imagery as described, a cursory review was conducted of each video prior to being secured as evidence. Based on Affiant #1's review of said videos, training, and experience, it's believed they meet the definition of child pornography 53a-196d. The videos were secured into evidence at Troop C - Tolland on 07/21/24.

7. That this Affiant was contacted by the Witness #1 and advised that the Accused would participate in an interview with this Affiant at the Stafford Resident Trooper's Office the following day, 7/22/24 at 0900hours. On 7/22/24 this Affiant was contacted by the Accused who advised that he would not be participating in the scheduled interview.

8. That, with the assistance of Detective Matthew Hogan #344 (Eastern District Major Crime) on 7/26/24 a search warrant applications were submitted to and approved by Rockville Superior Court (GA 19) for Google and Yahoo. These warrants were served on the respective companies later that date.

9. That on 07/31/24, Google returned the requested information. Of the information they returned,

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one file named "All mail Including Spam and Trash.mbox" was located (An MBOX file is a standard format for storing large collections of email messages and their attachments which can be opened using text editor software or browsers such as Firefox). A review of the data in this file showed conversations with the sender of the mages/videos containing child pornography,

" [REDACTED]

10. That Detective Hogan conducted an analysis of email communications between [REDACTED] and an individual using the email address [REDACTED]. The emails were sent between February 25 and March 4, 2013, primarily in the early morning hours between 7:52 AM and 8:58 AM EST. [REDACTED] used the Yahoo Mail web interface from an IP address of [REDACTED], while the recipient appeared to be using a [REDACTED] device (likely a 2011-2012 model) on [REDACTED] network. Detective Hogan further noted that the communication pattern was unusual, with multiple emails sent in quick succession, each containing a video or image attachment but little to no text in the email body. One email subject line specifically referenced a video file named "[REDACTED]". Five (5) of the seven (7) file names transmitted between party's match exactly those file names provided to law enforcement by Witness#1. Detective Hogan noted that while specific locations couldn't be pinpointed, the sender's IP address could be used to approximate their location ([REDACTED]), and the receiver's (Joseph Lachausse / Accused) appears to have used a [REDACTED] device. This was concluded from [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] Technical analysis showed that the emails passed standard authentication methods (SPF and DKIM), indicating that they genuinely originated from Yahoo Mail servers.

11. That on 9/22/24 at approx. 0752 hours Det. David Aresco CSP-Computer Crimes Unit sent an e-mail related to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) reverse lookup request regarding the sent videos. Det Sedenzski #509 assigned to the CSP Cyber Task Force had forwarded information/data that was seized by search warrant on Google to Det Aresco requesting a review of the material for file "hash values / hash comparison report". The reviewed information contained data related to suspected child sexual abuse material (CSAM) associated with / located within the Accused's (Joseph Lachausse) [REDACTED] account. Det Aresco advised that on 9/22/24, Det Aresco sent the MD5 hash values associated with the seven (7) video files of suspected child pornography located in the Google search warrant return to (NCMEC) Child Victim Identification Program (CVIP) to be examined for known child victims. Det Aresco received an Initial Hash Value Comparison Report [REDACTED] from NCMEC which reported that four (4) of the video file hash values were associated with files that appear to contain at least one child previously identified by law enforcement.

12. That on 9/23/24 Det Sedenzski Connecticut State Police / FBI Cyber Task Force / [REDACTED] reported reviewing the aforementioned seven (7) video files sent to her by Det Hogan that were sent or received between [REDACTED] and account [REDACTED] and finding them to be containing CSAM:

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13. That Det Sedenzski reported that the hash values of the aforementioned video files were submitted to the Connecticut State Police Computer Crimes Unit with a request to conduct a reverse lookup in the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) Child Victim Identification Program (CVIP) to be examined for known child victims. On September 22, 2024, I received an Initial Hash Value Comparison Report (██████████) from NCMEC, which reported that four (4) of the video files' hash values were associated with files that appear to contain at least one child victim previously identified by law enforcement.

Two (2) additional video files - voyeuristic in nature - were tagged by this user sent from email address: ██████████ to email address ██████████. The files depicted two (2) different females being recorded what appears to be without the females' knowledge.

Video file ██████████ depicts a white female ██████████ sitting on a toilet.

The timestamp of the email was listed as 2/11/2013 19:32:11.000 (UTC). The email body stated ██████████

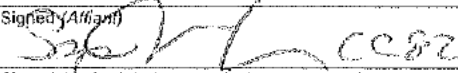
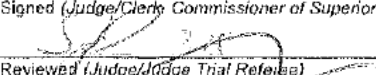
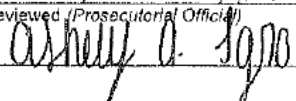
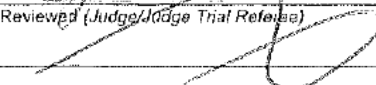
Video file ██████████ depicts a white female fully clothed what appears to be applying makeup in front of a mirror. It appears that the video was taken from behind some sort of cover. The video is not stationary, but moving up and down and sideways while being recorded similar to when someone is holding a video recording device in his/her hand. The email timestamp - when the file was sent - was listed as 2/11/2013 19:59:55.000 (UTC). The email body stated ██████████

14. That On 9/23/24 a Search Warrant was approved by Rockville Superior Court (GA 19) for the Accused's residence at ██████████ Stafford Ct as well as the Accused's person for electronic devices (computers, phones, etc.)

15. On 9/25/24 at approximately 0800 hours members of the Connecticut State Police and Stafford CT Police executed the search warrant at ██████████. The Accused had left the residence prior to our arrival and was located in Hartford. The accused voluntarily accompanied investigators back to his residence and remained on scene during the search. As a result, several items were seized in accordance with the warrant including two (2) cell phones, a laptop computer, an SD card. In addition, state police detectives advised that, while searching for the above items; notes and journals between the Accused and ██████████ referenced the Accused's web-browser activity involving him allegedly viewing ██████████ materials and the Accused engaging in ██████████ activity ██████████ while on vacation. Additionally, ██████████ referenced locating receipts for cameras that the Accused had purchased and had sent an email link to an unknown individual for streaming access to the cameras.

16. That while speaking to the Accused during the execution of the search warrant and having advised the Accused several times that he was not under arrest and was free to leave and not converse with investigators, the Accused informed this Affiant, when asked, that he did have a ██████████ device around the time period of 2013. This was noteworthy due to Detective Hogan and Det Sedenzski's analysis of the email conversations between the Accused and ██████████

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[REDACTED] in 2013 where the Accused was believed to have been using a [REDACTED] device to send and or receive child pornography. Additionally, the Accused advised this Affiant that he had / has a [REDACTED] account although he denied using it recently.

17. That on 7/26/24 a criminal history computer check revealed that the Accused Joseph Lachause (DOB: 02/13/1963), has no criminal history on file.

18. That, based on the above facts and circumstances, this Affiant believes that there is probable cause for the arrest of the Accused Joseph Lachause (DOB: 02/13/1963) [REDACTED] Stafford, CT for violation(s) of the Connecticut General Statues.

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