



Juvenile CPC-2011-6064

Probable Cause Affidavit

Arrested Person

Last name: Owen First: Tristan M.I.: Ryan

D.O.B.: 01/03/1996 SS#: N/A ARREST DATE: 07/13/2011

Case#: 11-054169 Related case#:

Offense (warrantless arrest for state felony charge): Felony Murder in the First Degree, 2 Counts, and Arson in the First Degree:

07/13/2011, at 0352 hours, OCFD received a call to 7608 S. Miller, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma in reference to a house fire. Upon OCFD arrival, Fire found the residence to be on fire and heavy smoke coming from the residence. A search of the residence yielded two victims inside in a bedroom. Both victims were removed and taken to the back yard for medical treatment, but both victims expired. A preliminary arson investigation determined the fire was started along the overhead garage door exterior near several wooden chairs located in the driveway next to the trash cans and did appear to be intentionally set.

OCPD responded to the scene and located two separate glass bottles containing paper towels that were hanging out of the bottle (Molotov Cocktails) with burn marks on the paper towels. One of the bottles was busted in the street at the intersection of SW. 75th and Miller and the second was located busted in front of the driveway at 2700 SW. 75th. OCPD Homicide Detectives were contacted and requested to respond. Upon arrival, detectives began speaking with neighbors who advised they saw Tristan Owen outside his residence at the time of the fire and directed Officers to 2700 SW. 75th, Owen residence.

As Detectives approached the residence, articles of burnt cloth were observed on the front porch area along with pieces of paper towels, similar to the paper towels located inside the Molotov Cocktails found in the street. Detectives located several pieces of fabric that had burn marks on them on the west side of the residence on the ground next to two large plastic dumpsters. One of the dumpster lids was melted and a very strong odor of alcoholic beverage was detected on the clothing and inside the dumpster.

Detectives made contact with Owen's Grandfather, Bob Owen, who advised he knew Tristan had arrived home just minutes before he heard the house fire. Bob escorted Detectives to Tristan who was appeared to be asleep on the couch in his underwear. Tristan was awakened and escorted to a scout car and transported to the OCPD Homicide Office for an interview. Bob advised he is the legal guardian of Tristan and Bob was transported to Homicide for the interview. Tristan was read his Miranda rights from a prepared sheet with Bob present. Tristan agreed to be interviewed and signed the waiver of his Miranda rights.

During the interview Tristan admitted to taking two whiskey bottles from a friend's home earlier in the evening and upon arriving at home, taking paper towels from inside of his house and making Molotov Cocktails out of the whiskey bottles. Tristan admitted to lighting and throwing the Molotov Cocktails into the street but advised they did not ignite. Tristan advised he also set a pair of his pajamas on fire on the west side of his house, and admitted to burning the trash cans located in the same area. Tristan denied setting the fire at 7608 S. Miller but had no explanation as to how the fire occurred. It should be noted 7608 S. Miller is across the street from where Tristan had set the fires and throwing the Molotov Cocktails.

Based upon the fact that Tristan Owen was seen in the driveway of the residence located at 7608 S. Miller, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma at the time of the fire, that Arson investigators believe that the fire was intentionally set and started just outside the garage door, and that Tristan Owen admitted to manufacturing and throwing Molotov cocktails, I arrested Tristan Owen for two (2) counts of Felony Murder in the First Degree and Arson in the First Degree.

I swear the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Officer: Ryan Porter Commission#: 1040
Ryan Porter

STATE OF OKLAHOMA) O.S. 21-701 Murder in the First Degree
COUNTY OF OKLAHOMA)

Subscribed and sworn before me this ___ day of _____, 2011

My commission expires _____

Notary Public

I have reviewed the above information and believe the necessary elements exist for an arrest based on probable cause.

Supervisor: Ed Dugan Commission#: 0301
Ed Dugan

This court having conducted a probable determination for the above named person's arrest without a warrant finds:

- Probable cause for the person's arrest existed at the time of Arrest. Arraignment before a Magistrate is ordered.
- Probable cause for the person's arrest did NOT exist at the time of arrest. This person is ordered released from custody Immediately.

Done this 14 day of July, 2011, at 2 m.

[Signature]
Judge of the District Court