

FOR THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

FOR THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA

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AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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STATE OF OREGON
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT
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TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR

I, David William Peabody Sr., being first duly sworn upon my oath, depose and say
that:

I am a sworn Police Officer, currently assigned as a Detective, working for the Columbia
County Sheriff's Office.

Based upon the following information, there is probable cause to believe Richard John
Cheney dob: 08/04/72 has committed the crime(s) of:

Theft in the First Degree-By Receiving (14 counts)
12 Firearms
2 Gas Powered Tile Cutting Saws -Value \$1,800.00 each
PCS - Methamphetamine (1 Count)

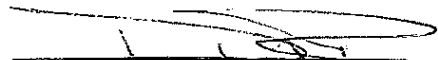
Investigation:

That on 11/4/12, at about 10pm, Richard John Cheney allowed Terry Albert Conner
dob:06/03/69, Joseph Wayne Gates dob:08/07/76, Naomi Amanda Holinbeck dob:10/06/94, and
John Charles Meece Jr dob:07/31/90 to bring the proceeds of two burglaries (Two gas powered
Stihl Brand Tile Cutting Saws and one large maroon colored Browning gun safe containing
twelve firearms and ammunition) committed on 11/04/12 at 1904 E State Route 4, Cathlamet,
Wahkiakum County, Washington, to Cheney's residence at 33676 Sykes Road, St Helens,
Columbia County, Oregon. That Cheney did allow said persons to use his shop to cut open the
gun safe and remove the firearms and ammunition. That the two Stihl saws were recovered in

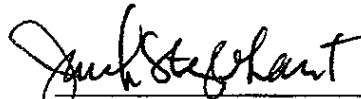
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Cheney's shop, during a subsequent Search Warrant. That the Browning s was recovered in the woods in the Chapman area. That four of the firearms were recovered by Portland Police Officers during the arrest of Terry Albert Conner in Portland on 11/05/12. That eight of the firearms are still unaccounted for. That during the Search Warrant mentioned, which was served on 11/08/12, methamphetamine was recovered inside Cheney's residence. That Cheney admitted he assisted Terry Albert Conner by trying to call persons to gain information to aid Conner in breaking into the safe. That Cheney did allow the use of his shop and tools, by Conner, Meece, and Gates, to break into the safe. That Cheney admitted to knowing Conner was a felon, as they served time together, and that the safe was likely stolen.

ON 11-9-12, CHENEY ADMITTED THESE THINGS DURING AN INTERVIEW TO ME.

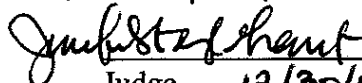

Signature 3/16/16

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this DATE


Notary Public for Oregon Circuit Judge
My Commission Expires _____

I find probable cause exists / does not exist.

, three counts of Theft I, and unlawful possession of methamphetamine.

 December 29, 2012
Judge 12/30/12 Date