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7 **SUPERIOR COURT, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

8 **STATE OF WASHINGTON) SW NO. 20-0-62443-1**
9 **COUNTY OF KING) SEALED**
10 **CORRECTED APPLICATION FOR**
11 **SEARCH WARRANT**

12 **Declaration**

13 I, Detective Scott Miller, declare that I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth
14 below and that I am competent to testify to the matters stated herein:

15 On the basis of the following, I believe there is probable cause that Unknown Subjects
16 have committed the crime(s) of **Rendering Criminal Assistance RCW 9A.76.070070 and**
17 **Accomplice Liability RCW 9A.08.020** for the crime(s) of **Arson in the First Degree,**
18 **Malicious Mischief in the Second Degree, Possession of Explosive Devices, and Possession**
19 **of Incendiary Devices, Burglary in the Second Degree, Pedestrian Interference,**
20 **Obstructing a Law Enforcement Officer, Criminal Mischief, and Failure to Disperse in**
21 **violation of RCW 9A.48.020, 9A.48.080, RCW 70.74.180, 9.40.120, 9A.52.030, 46.61.250,**
22 **9A.76.020, 9A.84.010 and 9A.84.020** respectively in King County, and that evidence of those
23 crime(s) is located within the following:

24 Within the physical space of the vehicles and in the digital storage media associated the
25 below described vehicles:

26 **Nissan Pathfinder,**
27 **2015 Chevrolet Equinox, black, Illinois Plate AC75936,**
28 **VIN: 2GNAXSEV4J6157773, located at SPD Evidence Processing Room**

1 **Affiant**

2 I am a commissioned law enforcement officer of the Seattle Police Department assigned
3 to the narcotics unit and FBI Safe Streets Task Force. I successfully attended the Washington
4 State Basic Law Enforcement Academy in 2008 and have served in patrol, the North Precinct
5 Anti-Crime Team, the Seattle Police Robbery Unit and the FBI Violent Crimes Task Force. I
6 have received specialized training in criminal investigations, crime scene investigation,
7 interviewing techniques, search warrant preparation and conducted hundreds of violent crimes
8 and narcotics investigations.

9 This Application is based on information I have gained from my own investigation,
10 personal observations, training and experience, as well as information related to me by other
11 detectives, investigators, both local and federal, and police officers through oral and written
12 reports. I have reviewed and am familiar with the investigative file in this matter. I am being
13 assisted by members of the Seattle Police Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and
14 the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).

15 **The Investigation**

16 In August 2020, members of the SPD Narcotics unit and Federal Law Enforcement
17 Partners, herein referred to as investigators, were assigned to conduct surveillance of criminal
18 groups who have displayed a pattern of increased hostility, violence and destruction toward
19 businesses, community members, business owners and police officers in the City of Seattle over
20 the past few months. The mission of investigators is to observe any unlawful acts committed by
21 members of this group and identify them for arrest. Following months of unrest, members of the
22 anarchist group, Every Night Direct Demonstration (ENDD), began organizing violent attacks on
23 Seattle Police Facilities.


24 **Initial Attack: Riot At SPOG**

25 On August 16, 2020, a group of approximately 150 people associated with the anarchist
26 group, ENDD, conducted an initial attack on the Seattle Police Officer's Guild office. This attack
27 was not observed by investigators, since the case had not been assigned at that time. Officers'
28 reports and surveillance footage not only depicted assaults on officers and property damage, but

1 it indicated there were numerous vehicles associated with and supporting the criminal group.
2 License plates were not captured, but descriptions of vehicles matched later identified vehicles,
3 including a Chevrolet Equinox.

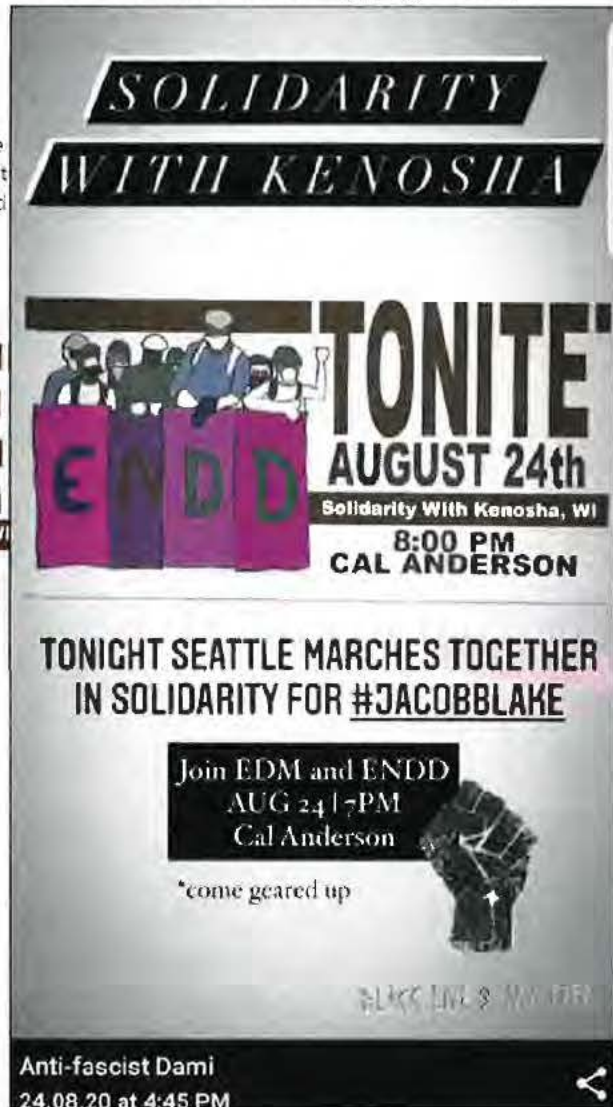
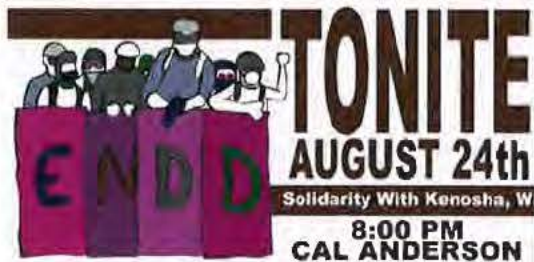
4 August 24, 2020: Riot At the East Precinct

5 On August 24, 2020, investigators were made aware through various social media
6 postings that a large gathering was called for at night by the Every Night Direct Demonstration
7 (ENDD) and the Everyday March (EDM) groups at Cal Anderson park located at 1635 11th Ave
8 in the City of Seattle. EDM is historically a peaceful protest group, but social media activity
9 strongly suggests the group intends to integrate with the violent anarchist group, ENDD.

10  Tweet



11 We stand tonight with Kenosha, Wisconsin - everyone
12 come out in solidarity with Jacob Blake. The fight must
13 continue until racist police EVERYWHERE are disarmed
14 and dismantled #blacklivesmatter #jacobblake
15 #kenosha #seattleprotest #seattle #acab #protest
16 #endo:Vblm



1 Investigators set up in the area of Cal Anderson park at approximately 1930 hours and
2 observed a growing group of individuals near the center of the park near the Shelterhouse
3 dressed all in black (referred to as "black bloc") with some wearing helmets, tactical vests, and
4 backpacks. Historically, it is common for these groups to wear black block during
5 demonstrations, including face coverings (even prior to the pandemic), in order to eliminate
6 individual identification as much as possible. The Shelterhouse at Cal Anderson park is located
7 just north of the soccer field and has become a staging, supply and training area for these groups
8 over the past several months.

9 Investigators observed several vehicles parked near 11th Ave and E Olive St offloading
10 supplies to this group such as umbrellas and helmets. Also among the vehicles gathered on 11th
11 Ave were known members of the self-described "car brigade". The car brigade is a group of
12 vehicles that accompany these groups as they march, blocking the roads in all directions,
13 interfering with emergency and police vehicles. This group is highly organized to the point each
14 member has numbered placards placed on the front and rear windshields for identification. It has
15 also been observed by investigators that this car brigade uses handheld radios for communication
16 during these incidents to coordinate their movements.

17 At around 2020 hours, investigators observed several black block clad individuals
18 grouped up talking about security channels.

19 Over the next hour and a half, investigators watched as more individuals entered the area
20 from surrounding streets primarily dressed in black block swelling the group gathered in Cal
21 Anderson to 250-300 individuals.

22 At approximately 2100 hours, the car brigade began moving south on 11th Ave blocking
23 northbound traffic from Pine St. The large group began filtering out of the exit on the east side of
24 the park onto 11th Ave at Olive St with individuals carrying makeshift shields made of plywood
25 backed by a line primarily black umbrellas opened. Umbrellas have been employed by this group
26 to not only shield themselves from crowd control measures undertaken by law enforcement when
27 unlawful behavior is observed, but it also acts to shield their actions such as readying projectiles,
28 explosives, or other actions. On recent discussions on social media, investigators discovered this
organized layered front line of shields and umbrellas has also been called for to in order to

1 extend the umbrellas past the shields in order to tangle officers in the fabric and metal of the
2 frame of the umbrella, and potentially to the pike-like shaft of the umbrellas.

3 The group of 250-300 people made its way from 11th and E Olive St to the SPD East
4 Precinct at 12th Ave and E Pine St with the car brigade blocking roads and intersections in all
5 directions with 15-20 vehicles. At the East Precinct the group stopped for a short while, chanting,
6 spray painting the barricade outside of the precinct consisting of jersey barriers and fencing
7 meant to shield it from attack. Some burned material in the intersection of 12th and E Pine St and
8 pointed green lasers into the security cameras. Several individuals climbed the fencing and spray
9 painted the precinct and damaged at least one electronic card reader for access to the precinct.
10 Others rolled dumpsters from surrounding businesses into the sally port doors of the precinct on
11 the east side, damaging them. Officers did not exit the precinct to take enforcement action.

12 The group continued slowly north on 12th Ave towards E Pike St and turned west. The
13 group maintained their front facing shield wall with umbrellas as they continued with the car
14 brigade still blocking traffic for several blocks in front and behind forcing other traffic to turn
15 around or wait until the group passed. By approximately 2155 hours the group had made it to the
16 Amazon Go store located at 610 E Pike St. The car brigade stopped there still surrounding the
17 group. As the group was stopped here, one of the 10 employees present from the Amazon Go
18 store called 911 saying members of this group had removed the plywood from several of the
19 large windows of the business and had broken them out. These unidentified individuals entered
20 the store and, according to the caller, threw and smashed items inside. All of the suspects left the
21 business and continued westbound with the remainder of the group and car brigade.

22 At around 2205 hours, the group had made its way west to the area outside of the
23 Starbucks Reserve Roastery at 1124 Pike St. Here, the car brigade paused again blocking traffic
24 in all directions as several members of this group pried at the plywood covering the windows and
25 doors of the business. No entry was made to the building, but the front of the business appeared
26 damaged. After a short time, the group continued slowly westbound.

27 It was determined that no officers would respond to the Amazon Go or Starbucks Reserve
28 Roastery at that time due to the numbers of the crowd, the use of the vehicles to block
ingress/egress, and staffing of the SPD at the time.

1 Numerous vehicles were identified during this event as being part of the car brigade.
2 Among the vehicles confirmed present were a black **Nissan Pathfinder** (no plate with an
3 unreadable temporary tag)(the black Pathfinder that is the subject of this warrant does not have a
4 plate and has a temp tag) and a black **Chevrolet Equinox, IL plate AC75963**.

5 As the group reached the area of 8th Ave and Pine St, at least one large explosion was
6 heard. It is known to investigators that illegal and modified fireworks are regularly brought to
7 these events. Their modifications include taping several large mortars/fireworks to create and
8 even larger explosive or wrapping various forms of shrapnel around the firework to in effect
create a shrapnel grenade.

9 The group continued north on 8th Ave until it reached the area of the SPD West Precinct
10 at 810 Virginia St at approximately 2225 hours. Here, several individuals from the group broke
11 into the Starbucks across the street from the West Precinct at 2001 8th Ave #100. The front
12 windows and doors were smashed and damaged several items inside.

13 The remainder of the group focused its attention on the West Precinct, throwing objects
14 breaking several windows spray painting graffiti. Some from the group moved to the east side of
15 the precinct where a police vehicle was parked. Several individuals broke out windows to this
16 vehicle and sprayed a fire extinguisher inside it. By 2250 hours, the group, now numbering
17 approximately 150, along with the car brigade, still 15-20 vehicles, were making their way
northbound from the precinct on Fairview Ave N towards Denny Way.

18 To this point no uniformed officers were deployed to engage or intervene with the group.

19 At approximately 2310 hours, the group made up from west to Broadway E and E Denny
20 Way. Near this intersection is a Starbucks located at 101 Broadway E. Several from the group
21 smashed windows to this Starbucks as the group with the car brigade continued eastbound

22 The group surrounded by the car brigade wound its way back to the East Precinct again
23 arriving there at approximately 2330 hours. The car brigade blocked traffic surrounding the
24 precinct from 11th Ave and E Pine to southbound on 12th Ave on the east side of the precinct
25 while the group, still numbering around 150, were inside this protective envelope. The tone of
26 the crowd was noticeably more aggressive at this point in both tone and action as several
27 explosives were lobbed at the precinct, more green lasers were directed into the cameras, and
28 more graffiti was done. Several members of the group defeated the fencing around the precinct

1 and were damaging the door access panels and prying on the door to the write-up room on the
2 east side of the precinct. Officers got permission to attempt to make an arrest outside of the door
3 for property damage but as soon as they opened it, bottles were thrown at them and they retreated
4 back into the precinct.

5 What was reported to be rebar was placed against this outward opening door by members
6 of this group to trap officers inside and quick-dry cement was poured over the door in an
7 apparent attempt to seal it shut. At the base of the stairs near this door, several individuals piled
8 up debris and some sort of liquid was applied. Per SPD radio traffic, attempts were made at
9 lighting it on fire with flares and a male later identified as Desmond David-Pitts 10/27/2000
10 wearing distinctive pink camouflage pants actively lit the fire against the precinct. The flames
11 grew quickly being spurred by others in the group throwing more debris on the fire.

12 Some of the members of the car brigade drove out of the area as the group began
13 escalating its violence but others remained and blocked the sally port area of the precinct on the
14 east side and blocked all eastbound traffic on Pine St to the west of the precinct.

15 It was at this point a city-wide "Help the officer" call was made which directs all
16 available officers throughout the city to assist with the now riotous crowd. Officers eventually
17 forced exit out the door and attempted to put out the large fire with fire extinguishers but
18 reported then extinguishers were having little effect on whatever accelerant that was used to
19 ignite the fire. Other officers arrived in the area and the group and car brigade quickly began
20 fleeing in all directions.

21 Pockets of these rioters lit fires in the streets surrounding the precinct as they fled. The
22 suspect wanted for the arson to the East Precinct in the pink camouflage pants, David-Pitts, was
23 located and taken into custody in the area of 11th Ave and E Pike St. At least three other rioters
24 were arrested for criminal mischief during this final encounter and are still being investigated. As
25 this was a large and dynamic incident that evolved over several hours over a large geographical
26 area the investigation into it is still ongoing.

27 **August 24, 2020: Seattle Police Officers Guild Office Arson**

28 On August 24, 2020, at approximately 2300 hours, two unidentified suspects emerged
from the shrubs on the north side of the west parking lot of the Seattle Police Officers Guild

1 (SPOG) office located at 2949 4th Ave S in Seattle. One of these individuals threw a lit Molotov
2 cocktail at the building and struck the west wall above the external stairway. When the cocktail
3 struck the building, the container shattered, and the flammable contents ignited and rained the
4 flames onto the external stairs. By chance, uniformed patrol arrived only a few minutes after the
5 two suspects fled on 3rd Ave and extinguished the small fire remaining on the stairs. Evidence
6 gathered at the scene appears to indicate at least two other Molotov cocktails were thrown
7 unsuccessfully at the building. Video from this incident is still being reviewed, and the
8 investigation is ongoing.

9 [REDACTED] **Confidential Informant**

10 [REDACTED] investigators learned through social media that the ENDD group
11 would be meeting up [REDACTED]

12 [REDACTED]

13 [REDACTED]

14 [REDACTED]

15 [REDACTED]

16 [REDACTED]

17 [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED]

19 [REDACTED]

20 [REDACTED]

21 [REDACTED]

22 [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED]

25 At approximately [REDACTED] investigators observed the black 2007 Toyota FJ Cruiser
26 [REDACTED] in the area of 11th Ave and E Olive St near the entrance to Cal Anderson
27 with several gathered around it. Also in the area was the yellow 2007 Ford Econoline Van WA
28 [REDACTED]

1 Investigators prepared to introduce a confidential informant (CI) into the group of violent
2 activists associated with the arson and property damage that occurred on August 24th, 2020 at the
3 East precinct, West Precinct, Amazon Go, and several Starbucks locations in Capitol Hill and
4 downtown Seattle. Specific direction was given to the CI to attempt to identify any weapons,
5 accelerants, improvised explosives/fireworks, communications systems, or specific individuals
6 intent on causing destruction or attacking SPD.

7 **Confidential Informant**

8 [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED]
10 [REDACTED]
11 [REDACTED]
12 [REDACTED]
13 [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]
16 [REDACTED] The CI's identity is not being disclosed in this application. I believe that
17 doing so could place the CI's safety and security in jeopardy and compromise this and other
18 ongoing investigations in which the CI is involved and is being utilized.

19 The CI was deployed [REDACTED] Because of the
20 unique nature of this deployment, the CI was not observed the entire time, information from the
21 CI is meant for intelligence only.

22 Investigators observed several vehicles [REDACTED] including the FJ Cruiser and
23 Yellow Econoline van loading up people and leaving the area. [REDACTED]
24 [REDACTED]
25 [REDACTED]
26 [REDACTED]
27 [REDACTED]
28 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

CI Debrief

The CI was picked up by investigators and debriefed. The following is a synopsis of the CI observed and shared, it was not recorded.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

At this point it felt to the CI that they were just going to drive around all night and he/she asked to be dropped off [REDACTED]

1 The CI was released following the debrief.

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3 **Wednesday August 26, 2020: Riot Near Volunteer Park**

4 Investigators learned through social media of a gathering taking place in Volunteer Park
5 located at 1247 15th Ave E in Seattle.

6 ← Tweet



Damanjit Singh
@Damanji57915320

9 #seattleprotests/#seattleprotest
10 #Seattle also, daily reminder for
11 "Solidarity With Kenosha" Action
12 Planned For Wednesday, Show Up!
Bring Friends And Come Blocced
Up And Prepared.



19 6:57 PM 25 Aug 20 from Seattle, WA Twitter for
Android

20 Investigators arrived in the area around 1900 hours and observed approximately 50-60
21 individuals near the amphitheater all putting on black bloc gear. By 1950 hours the group was
22 seen leaving the park, eastbound on E Prospect St towards 14th Ave E. The black FJ Cruiser WA
23 LIC/ASA2945 was seen with the group by the group was only followed by a handful of vehicles.

24 The group made it to 15th Ave E and walked southbound on 15th Ave E blocking all lanes
25 of traffic. The group used hammers to break out storefront windows of the Canterbury Ale House
26 at 534 15th Ave E, Uncle Ike's Capitol Hill at 501 15th Ave E, and the Key Bank at 321 15th Ave
27 E. Probable cause for arrest for two individuals was developed and uniformed officers were
28 called into arrest. As uniformed officers approached the crowd and unknown suspect sloughed a

1 Molotov cocktail in the middle of the street. Once one of the arrestees was placed into custody
2 for obstruction, investigators guided in uniformed officers for the arrest of another individual for
3 malicious mischief for the breaking of the Key Bank windows.

4 As officers moved in for the arrest the male, later identified as Sami Horner 03/08/2001,
5 took off running away from officers. Officers ultimately caught Horner and placed him into
6 custody. During the search following his arrest, officers located a prepared Molotov cocktail in
7 his backpack.

8 The larger group, which was now considerably smaller as many had run in several
9 directions when police first moved in, made their way back to Volunteer park. Back in the park,
10 many of them changed out of their black bloc clothing and left the area.

11 At approximately 2115, a group of around a dozen vehicles arrived at E Roanoke St and
12 Harvard Ave E. These vehicles lined the eastbound lanes of travel east of Harvard Ave E parking
13 at an angle so eastbound travel could not pass. This area contains critical infrastructure including
14 a Washington State Patrol office at 811 E Roanoke St, Seattle Fire Station 22 at 901 E Roanoke
15 St, an off-ramp to 520 at E Roanoke St and Harvard Ave E that was now blocked, and access to
16 I-5 north on Harvard Ave E to the north. This is also a major passage for King County Metro bus
17 routes that eventually became blocked in the intersection at E Roanoke St and Harvard Ave E.

18 At 2133 hours, multiple PA announcements were made for the group to get back into
19 their vehicles and disperse. At 2156 hours, SPD commanders determined the group blocking the
20 area was causing a significant safety risk due to the limited ingress/egress for fire vehicles and
21 the off-ramp of 520 being blocked.


22 As investigators watched, they could see the drivers of some of the numbered vehicles
23 speaking into handheld radios while blocking the roadway. More and more people dressed in
24 black bloc began to arrive in the area to support this group some armed with shields and batons.

25 At approximately 2215 hours SPD officers moved into clear the streets. As SPD officers
26 moved in, drivers of the vehicles locked themselves in their vehicles, the crowd deployed some
27 sort of smoke bomb and was shining green lasers at officers.

28 SPD continued moving west on E Roanoke St and gave several dispersal orders.
Unknown individuals in the crowd could be seen talking on radios on the west side of the crowd
while SPD was making its movement west towards the intersection at Harvard Ave E. SPD

1 officers encountered explosives and they confronted the crowd and made several arrests with
2 WSP.

3 The crowd and vehicles were eventually cleared from the area and a total of 12 people
4 were arrested for various crimes and brought back to the West Precinct for processing. Both
5 vehicles, the **Pathfinder** and the **Equinox**, that are the subject of this warrant were part of the
6 vehicles blocking ingress and egress routes around the WSP and Seattle Fire Department
7 facilities that were targeted by this group.

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10 Based on the above information, investigators believed the above-described unlawful and
11 violent acts are well planned and organized to the point those involved are actively
12 communicating via radios tactics and movements. 
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1 **September 7, 2020: Labor Day Riot at SPOG**

2 ENDD organized a Direct Action Event against a Seattle Police Facility, and scheduled it
3 for September 7, 2020.



17 Investigators were in the area of the King Street Transit station at 5 AVE S and S King
18 ST at approximately 1600 hours on September 7th, 2020, and observed a growing group of
19 individuals near the center of the transit plaza dressed all in black (referred to as “black bloc”)
20 with some wearing helmets, tactical vests, and backpacks. Historically, it is common for these
21 groups to wear black bloc during demonstrations, including face coverings (even prior to the
pandemic), to eliminate individual identification as much as possible.

22 Investigators observed several vehicles parked in the parking lot in the southeast corner
23 of 5 AVE S and S King ST offloading supplies to this group such as large shields and helmets.
24 Also among the vehicles gathered in this lot were known members of the self-described “car
25 brigade”. The car brigade is a group of vehicles that accompanies these violent groups as they
26 move on foot, blocking the roads in all directions, often interfering with emergency and police
27 vehicles. This group is highly organized to the point each member has numbered placards placed
28 on the front and rear windshields for identification. The car brigade utilizes open frequency

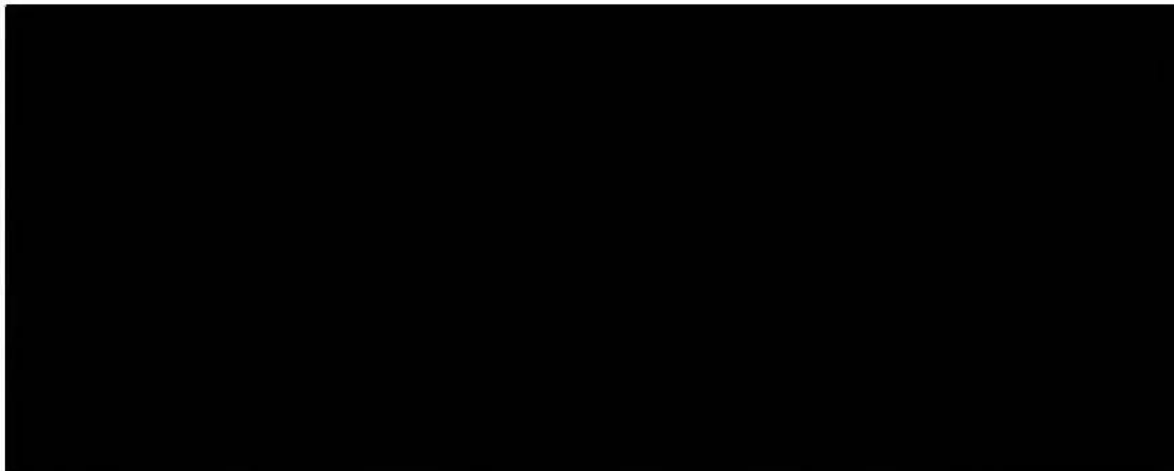
1 handheld FM radios to communicate and coordinate movement with both members of the car
2 brigade and leaders on foot in the riot group. [REDACTED]

3 [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED] investigators
5 have determined there is a group of 5-7 vehicles, including the **Pathfinder** and the **Equinox** that
6 are the subject of this warrant, in the car brigade that maintain consistent command and control
7 of the group. [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED] In addition, investigators
9 have identified their use of forward scouts. These scouts are individuals either on foot, bicycle or
10 motorcycle. [REDACTED]

11 [REDACTED] It appears their mission is to identify the location of police in
12 the area or other subjects they deem as "threats" to their group.

13 As investigators monitored the initial gathering on September 7th, it was important to
14 continue to define the group's overall intentions. Despite the historic violence associated with
15 this group, investigators tried to determine if the event could be defined as a peaceful protest in
16 support of the 1st Amendment or activities more fitting the definition of riot. Base on the
17 advertisements, social media chatter and physical posture of the group, it became abundantly
18 clear that this event was not a planned peaceful protest, but rather an organized direct action
19 against a police facility. The main focus of this group was to inflict damage and destruction. [REDACTED]
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12 [REDACTED]
13 As the riot group prepared to march, investigators observed known leaders from the car
14 brigade meeting on foot in the previously noted parking lot adjacent to the group. At this time,
15 [REDACTED] and distributed
16 number placards which were posted on approximately 20 vehicles in the lot. One central vehicle
17 in this group was a black **Nissan Pathfinder**, [REDACTED] This vehicle has been
18 identified previously as being engaged in providing support materials to violent rioters and one
19 of the lead cars in the car brigade during previous actions. Another vehicle, a black **Chevrolet**
20 **Equinox, Illinois plate AC75963**, was located in the parking lot with the car brigade members.
21 This vehicle has also been identified previously during numerous actions involving riotous
22 behavior. It is an active member of the car brigade and is always central to the movement of the
23 brigade.

24 As investigators conducted surveillance, they observed one subject previously identified
25 as a car brigade leader, [REDACTED] walk into the group and give instructions
26 [REDACTED]

27 Investigators watched as at least 20 vehicles drive from the parking lot onto S King St and 5
28 AVE S, completely blocking traffic all ways. A contingent of 7 vehicles split from the group and
drove a block to the south, opening up a space for the riot group on foot to enter the roadway and

1 prepare to walk south. The Equinox was part of this group which would lead the movement. The
2 Pathfinder remained at the rear of the group, providing rear-blocking. The riot group had
3 increased in size to approximately 300 people prior to their march.

4 At this point, the car brigade coordinated their movement with the riot group and began
5 their movement south towards SPOG. [REDACTED]
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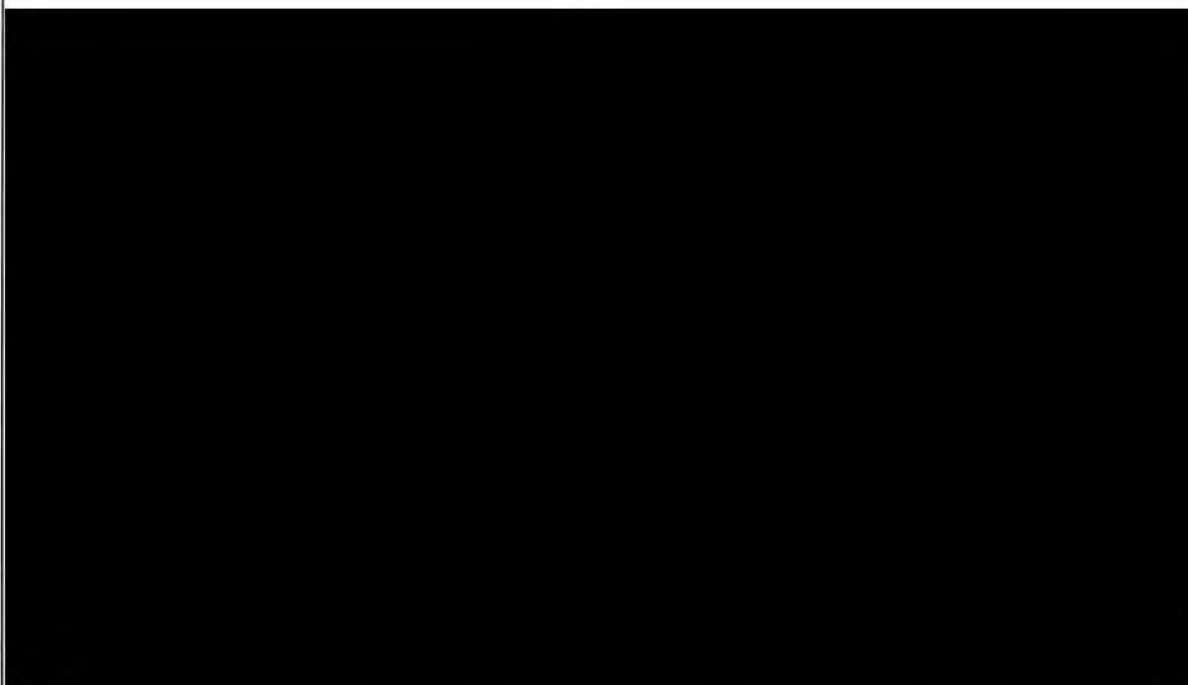
21 Based on surveillance footage from the SPOG building, the following activities then
22 occurred:

- 23 ○ **18:14:54:** First member of the bike brigade (bicycle riders who also block streets in
24 coordination with the car brigade) arrived in front of SPOG. A motorcycle parked on the
25 east side of 4 Ave S facing SPOG. More members arrive soon after and block all lanes of
26 travel on 4 Ave S just south of the SPOG building.
- 27 ○ **18:16:32:** A female identified as [REDACTED] arrives in front of SPOG
28 on foot and can be seen talking into a microphone. [REDACTED] can be seen approaching the

1 line of bikes blocking 4 Ave S pointing and directing those on the line.

- 2 ○ **18:17:18:** The first line of the car brigade arrives in front of SPOG and are lined up
3 blocking all lanes of travel moving southbound at the same pace. 7 total vehicles were in
4 front including a white Tesla Model 3, Volkswagen SUV, Acura SUV, Honda CRV, and
5 the **Chevrolet Equinox**. The car brigade stopped on 4 Ave S at the southern edge of
6 SPOG as members of the group began to fill in behind on foot with umbrellas up. Several
7 in the crowd were carrying black garbage bags, some were placed next to the eastern
8 fence.
- 9 ○ **18:18:55:** For an unknown reason the crowd surges to the south and stops in front of the
10 southern SPOG parking lot, most still congregating on 4 Ave S, some entering the
11 parking lot area. The group formed their shield wall at the entrance to the parking lot
12 facing west.






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Surveillance footage continued:

- o **18:21:26:** SPD moves in for an arrest of a suspect for possession of an incendiary device

- o **18:21:44:** As officers are dealing with the crowd near the southern parking lot entrance on 4 Ave S, white smoke is deployed by the crowd near the officers. Vehicle brigade that was blocking 4 Ave S remained but moved south slowly.

1 Arrest teams were unable to place either of the three above listed suspects (S1, S2, S3)
2 into custody, due to "unarrest tactics" employed by the riot group. As this unfolded, multiple
3 members of the riot group threw rocks, bottles and lit fireworks at officers. Additionally, a
4 Molotov cocktail was thrown from within the group towards officers. A dispersal order was
5 given by SPD, but rioters continued to launch projectiles at officers. Vehicles in the car brigade
6 were positioned in the front and rear of the group, blocking police vehicles from getting close to
7 the group, forcing arresting officers to approach on foot or on bicycles. The car brigade
8 committed to holding a line across all lanes of traffic to the north and south of the riot group,
9 preventing emergency vehicles from approaching. As they held this line, the majority of rioters
10 were able to flee under the cover of the vehicles to the east where police presence was limited.
11 Once the majority of rioters had fled that position in the street, the vehicles in the car brigade
12 broke from their line and traveled to various locations on side streets where they appeared to pick
13 up small groups of rioters [REDACTED]

14 Surveillance footage continued:

- 15 ○ **18:22:48:** Rioters are seen moving to the east behind the protective wall of the car
16 brigade to the south while several SPD vehicles are stopped for the brigade with
17 emergency lights activated. Once the majority of the rioters had made their way east
18 across 4 Ave S, these car brigade members moved in unison to the east, entering a
19 parking lot just south of the Pick-Quick Drive in at 2990 4 Ave S with the rioters.
- 20 ○ **18:24:12:** Most of the leading car brigade vehicles drove to the west side of the drive
21 through with some parking in the exit/entrance to the lot just to the north.
- 22 ○ **18:53:14:** A group walks from the south on the west sidewalk on 4 Ave S in front of
23 SPOG. [REDACTED] is with this group.

1 As officers continued attempts to make arrests, a box of Molotov cocktails was found
2 abandoned in the street. Surveillance footage depicts a male suspect carrying the box to the front
3 of the SPOG building prior to the first attempted arrest. He has not been identified or arrested.



17 As investigators observed the car brigade repositioning now for a northbound movement
18 along 4 Ave S, multiple vehicles, including the Equinox, were observed driving onto side streets
19 and picking up rioters fleeing police. The Pathfinder was also observed picking up rioters on side
20 streets [REDACTED]

21 [REDACTED] the Jack-In-The-Box at 4 AVE S and S Holgate ST. Investigators
22 observed vehicles, including the Equinox and the Pathfinder drive to the parking lot of that
23 business. As marked police units approached the group of rioters from the south, an unknown
24 suspect from the group in front of the Jack-In-The-Box threw a Molotov cocktail toward officers.
25 It exploded but did not injure anyone. Following that attack, the numerous rioters ran into the
26 Jack-In-The-Box parking lot where car brigade vehicles were waiting. Rioters quickly entered
27 the vehicles, including the Equinox and the Pathfinder. The vehicles then fled to the north along
28 4 Ave S. It is highly likely the suspect or suspects who threw incendiary devices were driven

1 from the scene by one or more of those vehicles.

2 Shortly after, the car brigade vehicles, including the Equinox and Pathfinder, maneuvered
3 to the front of the reformed riot group and led them north on 4 Ave S, clearing the roads for the
4 successful egress of rioters away from police.

5 As more arrests were made following assaults on officers, the large group of rioters were
6 pushed to Rainier Ave S and S Dearborn ST.

7 During this event, it was clear that multiple vehicles, including the Pathfinder and
8 Equinox, provided material and logistical support to the rioting and contributed to ongoing
9 criminal action targeting the police. They actively rendered criminal assistance to the violent
10 rioters and in the process committed numerous criminal acts, including obstruction, traffic
violations and assisting rioters elude identification or capture by police.

11 As the rioters dispersed into surrounding neighborhoods, the Pathfinder and Equinox
12 were observed contacting various individuals wearing black bloc attire and either picking them
13 up or collecting unknown items from them.

14 Based on the observations of the investigators on this day, marked patrol units were
15 directed to stop, detain and seize the Pathfinder and Equinox for investigative purposes. The
16 vehicles were impounded and transported to the secure SPD vehicle processing room located at
the Seattle Police Evidence facility.

17 Based on the above investigation, it is believed by investigators that the above listed
18 vehicles will contain evidence of the above crimes from 8-24-20, 8-26-20 and on 9-7-20 and
19 during previous criminal actions listed above. These vehicles will likely contain physical
20 evidence of command and control and material support to criminals during the riots as well as
21 digital evidence contained within the infotainment systems organic to those vehicles.

22 **Motor Vehicle Infotainment Systems**

23 Motor vehicles are no longer just limited to transportation. Many modern motor vehicles
24 are factory installed with entertainment and communications consoles. These consoles are
25 commonly called Infotainment Systems. Infotainment Systems allow drivers and/or passengers
26 to connect their devices to the digital world. Such systems can store and/or stream digital
27 content to and from a variety of devices; it may even broadcast a wireless signal which would
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1 allow passengers to connect to the World Wide Web (Internet). Forensic experts have
2 recognized the potential usefulness of the information stored in these systems and have learned
3 the following:

4 Many motor vehicle Infotainment Systems store historical event data such as when the
5 headlights were on or off, when doors were opened or closed, when gears were changed, when
6 brakes were applied, and when connections and disconnections were made to other devices such
7 as Bluetooth, USB, media cards, and Wi-Fi.

8 Many motor vehicle Infotainment Systems allow a user to sync (connect and integrate
9 communications wirelessly and/or with a cable) mobile devices to a particular motor vehicle
10 Infotainment System. This connectivity generally allows motor vehicle occupants to perform
11 hands-free operations such as voice calling and texting, access data streaming stream services
12 such as music, news, weather, maps, navigation, traffic data, and other web based information
13 and related content.

14 Furthermore, Motor Vehicle Infotainment Systems commonly support the importing of
15 content and other data information from a particular user's mobile device. Such data may include
16 content that may provide user attribution to particular user(s) that may include, but is not limited
17 to, mobile device identifiers, telephone numbers, user accounts details, methods of payment,
18 passwords, PIN codes, user voice profiles and other biometric identifiers, contact lists, call logs,
19 text messages, e-mails, pictures, videos, web history, telephone numbers, addresses and/or GPS
20 (Global Positioning System) coordinates, and other historical navigation information.

21 Global Positioning System or GPS portable navigation systems associated with
22 Infotainment Systems use a space-based radio-navigation system which provide users with
23 accurate information on position, velocity, and time anywhere in the world and in all weather
24 conditions using a connected network of orbiting satellites. GPS portable navigation devices can
25 store information in their digital memory about the locations where the device was for a period
26 of time. The historical GPS data associated with the Infotainment System typically contains
27 recorded evidence of the physical location of the associated vehicle and/or person(s) whenever
28 the vehicle and/or person was moving or stationary.

Even after a previously connected mobile device is removed, much historical live and
deleted data may remain within the digital storage capabilities of the Infotainment System.

1 These Infotainment Systems and associated connected or previously connected mobile
2 devices can be used to delete, create, share, and store files and other data including, but not
3 limited to, navigation history, documents, photographs, videos, electronic mail, search history
4 and other relevant live and deleted user information. Such devices can be used to communicate
5 and share information with others and that data can be transferred between various devices –
6 wirelessly and by connected cables.

7 Live and deleted data recovered from Infotainment Systems may show evidence of
8 current, on-going, future, and past criminal activity. Such information can be used to identify
9 locations, victims, witnesses, associates and co-conspirators. Data from these devices can often
10 include user attribution data that can identify the person(s) who sent, received, created, viewed,
11 modified, or otherwise had control over particular content.

12 If these items are not seized and isolated from network connectivity in a timely manner,
13 evidence may be destroyed, transferred, encrypted, modified, or otherwise lost forever. Data
14 recovered from an Infotainment System could be used to refute or corroborate data recovered
15 from other mobile devices or obtained from service providers.

16 For these reasons, I believe probable cause exists to search the digital storage media
17 associated with the above-described vehicle and seize evidence of the above crimes for the date
18 ranges 8-24-20 to 8-27-20, and 9-6-20 to 9-7-20 including:

- 19 a. Live and deleted user attribution data including, but not limited to, user accounts, e-mail
20 accounts, passwords, PIN codes, patterns, methods of payment, account names, user
21 names, screen names, remote data storage accounts, documents, files, metadata, log files,
22 user voice profiles and other biometric identifiers or any other information and evidence
23 that may demonstrate attribution to a particular user or users;
- 24 b. Live and deleted historical event data to include, but not limited to, when the headlights
25 were on or off, when doors were opened or closed, when gears were changed, when brakes
26 were applied, and when connections and disconnections were made to other devices such
27 as Bluetooth, USB, media cards, and Wi-Fi.
- 28 c. Live and deleted location information, historical navigation data tracks, routes, and
waypoints, GPS fixes, favorites, past journeys, trip logs, and user entered data, Latitude,
Longitude, and Altitude coordinates, and related dates and times;
- d. Live and deleted contact lists, call logs, text messages and multimedia messages (SMS and
MMS messages), e-mails, chats, video conference communication data, contact
information, installed application information including their content and any other

1 information which can be used to identify potentially associated persons;

- 2 e. Live and deleted passwords, password files, PIN codes, encryption codes, or other
3 information necessary to access the digital device or data stored on the digital device such
4 as hidden file applications;
- 5 f. The executing law enforcement officer(s) may enlist the aid of a law enforcement computer
6 forensic laboratory and/or certified digital evidence examiner(s) in the searching, viewing,
7 photographing, recording, copying, forensic imagining, and analysis of any and all of the
8 information described.

9 Additionally, based on the above investigation, I believe probable cause exists to search
10 the above-described vehicles and seize the following evidence of the above crimes:

- 11 a. Items associated with the command and control of criminal activity including but not
12 limited to, hand-held radios, maps of areas where riotous activity has occurred,
13 placards, amplified speaker devices, portable removable hazard lights;
- 14 b. Items indicating and/or containing dominion and control, including but not limited to,
15 registration, insurance documents, receipts, identification, cell phones, wallets,
16 purses, backpacks, and other similar personal items whose ownership can be readily
17 determined;
- 18 c. Implements associated with riots and the associated criminal behavior, including
19 Molotov cocktails, explosives, spray paint, gas masks, shields, body armor, helmets,
20 sticks, rocks, bottles, umbrellas and similar items.

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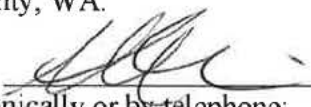
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1 **[X] (Check if applicable) This application was submitted to the issuing Judge using an**
2 **electronic device that is owned, issued, or maintained by the below-identified criminal**
3 **justice agency.**

4 I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the
5 foregoing is true and correct.

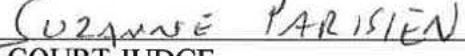
6 Signed this 16th day of September, 2020, at King County, WA.

7 Declarant's Signature: 
8 OR, if submitted electronically or by telephone:
9 Declarant's Full Name: Detective Scott Miller
10 Agency Badge/Serial or Personnel #: 7496
11 Agency Name: Seattle Police Department

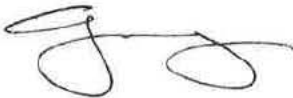
12 **[X] (Check if applicable) The Judge's signature, below, was placed by declarant, at the**
13 **Judge's direction given by:**

14 ☐ telephone (preserve a recording of the authorization),
15 ☒ email (preserve and file the email), or by
16 ☐ _____ (other reliable method).

17 On 16th day of September, 2020, I reviewed and considered the above application,
18 submitted to me under penalty of perjury.

19 Signature: 
20 SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE
21 Printed Judge's Name: _____

22 Issuance of Warrant Approved:¹
23 DANIEL T. SATTERBERG
24 King County Prosecuting Attorney

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26 By: _____
27 Gary Ernsdorff, WSBA #22461
28 Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Criminal Division

¹ If applicant is a Federal Agent, issuance of warrant is also requested by the signing King County Prosecuting Attorney.