

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
VS.  
STEPHEN DALE GRIFFIN  
1501 ADKINS  
HOUSTON TX 77055

SPN: 03221375  
DOB: W M 09/06/1977  
DATE PREPARED: 12/07/2023

D.A. LOG NUMBER: 3001193  
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AGENCY: SIS  
O/R NO: 023111267  
ARREST DATE: TO BE

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RELATED CASES:

FELONY CHARGE: **IMPROPER RELATIONSHIP WITH STUDENT**

CAUSE NO:  
HARRIS COUNTY DISTRICT COURT NO:  
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CHARGE SEQ NUM: 1

**IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:**

Before me, the undersigned Assistant District Attorney of Harris County, Texas, this day appeared the undersigned affiant, who under oath says that he has good reason to believe and does believe that in Harris County, Texas, **STEPHEN DALE GRIFFIN**, hereafter styled the Defendant, heretofore on or about **November 1, 2022**, did then and there unlawfully, while an employee of a public secondary school, intentionally and knowingly engage in sexual intercourse with H.R., hereinafter called the Complainant, a student who was enrolled at the school at which the Defendant worked and who was not the Defendant's spouse, by causing the penetration of the Complainant's female sexual organ with the Defendant's male sexual organ.

**Probable Cause**

AFFIANT C. WILLIAMS IS A CERTIFIED PEACE OFFICER WITH THE SPRING BRANCH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT. THE AFFIANT HAS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT **STEPHEN GRIFFIN, W/M, DOB 09/06/1977**, HEREAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE DEFENDANT, COMMITTED THE OFFENSE OF FELONY OFFENSE OF IMPROPER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EDUCATOR AND STUDENT ON OR ABOUT **NOVEMBER 1, 2022**, AT **935 ECHO LN, HOUSTON, HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS 77024**.

**AFFIANT BASES HIS BELIEF ON THE FOLLOWING FACTS:**

ON THURSDAY, **NOVEMBER 30, 2023**, **SPRING BRANCH ISD SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) G. MASSEY (UNIT#929)** WAS WORKING AS A CAMPUS OFFICER AT **MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL** LOCATED AT **935 ECHO LN HOUSTON HARRIS COUNTY, TX 77024**. AT APPROXIMATELY **1140 HRS**, THIS OFFICER WAS APPROACH BY **BUILDING PRINCIPAL LISA WEIR**. MS. WEIR STATED THAT SHE RECEIVED A CALL FROM A.E., THE MOTHER OF H.R., HEREAFTER THE COMPLAINANT. THE COMPLAINANT'S MOTHER REPORTED THAT SHE WANTED TO MEET WITH MS. WEIR AND A CAMPUS OFFICER SOMEWHERE OTHER THAN **MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL** TO DISCUSS AN IMPROPER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HER DAUGHTER THE COMPLAINANT AND A CURRENT SCIENCE TEACHER - **STEPHEN GRIFFIN, W/M, DOB 09/06/1977**, HEREAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE DEFENDANT. MS. WEIR AND THE COMPLAINANT'S MOTHER AGREED TO MEET AT A **SBISD ADMIN BUILDING**.

MS. WEIR AND SRO MASSEY ARRIVED AT THE ADMIN BUILDING AT **11:37 AM**. MS. WEIR AND SRO MASSEY #929 MET WITH THE COMPLAINANT'S MOTHER, THE COMPLAINANT'S STEP-FATHER, AND THE COMPLAINANT IN AN UNOCCUPIED OFFICE. WHILE IN THE OFFICE, THE COMPLAINANT GAVE A VERBAL STATEMENT OF FACTS TO HER KNOWLEDGE THAT SHE COULD REMEMBER ABOUT HER RELATIONSHIP LAST SCHOOL YEAR **2022-2023** INVOLVING THE DEFENDANT. THE COMPLAINANT ALSO PROVIDED SCREENSHOTS OF TEXT MESSAGES BETWEEN HER AND THE DEFENDANT.

THE COMPLAINANT STATED THAT THE RELATIONSHIP STARTED ON OR ABOUT **SEPTEMBER 23RD, 2022**, WHEN SHE WAS **18 YEARS OLD** AND A STUDENT IN THE DEFENDANT'S CLASS. THE COMPLAINANT EXPLAINED THAT SHE EMAILED THE DEFENDANT ASKING TO EAT LUNCH IN HIS CLASSROOM DURING HIS OFF PERIOD, TO WHICH HE AGREED. THE COMPLAINANT STATED THAT DURING LUNCH THEY ONLY TALKED, BUT THAT AFTER THE LUNCH, THE DEFENDANT EMAILED HER. IN THE EMAIL, THE DEFENDANT STATED THAT THEY HAD "SIMILAR BACKGROUNDS," AND THAT IF THE COMPLAINANT EVER NEEDED HELP OR ANYONE TO TALK TO THAT SHE COULD CONTACT THE DEFENDANT. THE DEFENDANT INCLUDED HIS CELL PHONE NUMBER IN THE EMAIL. THE COMPLAINANT ADVISED

THAT SHE DID REACH OUT TO THE DEFENDANT VIA TEXT MESSAGE FOR A FEW MONTHS. DURING THESE CONVERSATIONS, THE DEFENDANT TOLD THE COMPLAINANT HE WAS GOING THROUGH A DIVORCE AND STAYING AT STAYBRIDGE SUITES HOTEL IN HOUSTON 1-10 WEST-BELTWAY 8, LOCATED AT 3251 W SAM HOUSTON PKWY N. AFFIANT CONFIRMED THIS LOCATION IS IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS. THE COMPLAINANT STATED THAT HER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE DEFENDANT TURNED INTO A PHYSICAL ONE DURING THE THANKSGIVING BREAK OF NOVEMBER 2022.

THE COMPLAINANT ADVISED THAT DURING THANKSGIVING BREAK, SHE DROVE OVER TO THE DEFENDANT'S HOTEL ROOM. WHILE AT THE DEFENDANT'S HOTEL ROOM, THE COMPLAINANT DISCLOSED THAT SHE AND THE DEFENDANT HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE – THE DEFENDANT'S PENIS CONTACTED/PENETRATED THE COMPLAINANT'S VAGINA. THE COMPLAINANT STATED THAT THE HOTEL TURNED INTO A REGULAR MEETING PLACE FOR THEM. THE COMPLAINANT ADVISED THROUGHOUT THE RELATIONSHIP, THE DEFENDANT ONLY USED PROTECTION ONCE BECAUSE HE CLAIMED HE DID NOT LIKE THE FEELING AND SAID HE HAD A VASECTOMY, AND EXPLAINED THAT MEANT THE COMPLAINANT DID NOT HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT GETTING PREGNANT. THE COMPLAINANT DESCRIBED THE HOTEL ROOM AS HAVING A SINGLE BED WITH A TV AND A DRESSER WITH A BATHROOM. THE COMPLAINANT ADVISED SHE AND THE DEFENDANT ALSO HAD MUTUAL ORAL SEX IN HIS CLASSROOM DURING HIS OFF PERIOD ON CAMPUS AT MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL BUT DIDN'T RECALL THE SPECIFIC DATE.

THE COMPLAINANT ADVISED SHE AND THE DEFENDANT STARTED MESSAGING THROUGH A PHONE APPLICATION ("APP") CALLED SIGNAL AND SNAPCHAT, AND THEY WOULD USE THESE METHODS MORE THAN TEXT MESSAGING.

THE COMPLAINANT STATED THAT LATER THE DEFENDANT MOVED OUT OF THE HOTEL INTO THE APARTMENTS BEHIND AN HEB NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF BUNKER HILL. AFFIANT FOUND THE ADDRESS TO BE 9757 PINE LAKE DR APT#2506. AFFIANT CONFIRMED THIS IS LOCATED IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS. THE COMPLAINANT DESCRIBED THE INSIDE OF THE DEFENDANT'S APARTMENT AS HAVING A LAZYBOY RECLINER, A LAZYBOY-TYPE COUCH THAT RECLINES ON EITHER SIDE, A COFFEE TABLE WITH A CHESS GAME ON TOP THAT THE DEFENDANT'S SON LIKES TO PLAY, AND TWO GUINEA PIGS. THE COMPLAINANT DESCRIBED A TABLET TYPE PHOTO FRAME ON THE KITCHEN COUNTER REVEALING PICTURES OF DEFENDANT'S LATE FATHER. THE COMPLAINANT DESCRIBED THE BEDROOM TO HAVE AN OVERSIZED MATTRESS WITH GRAY SHEETS AND ALL THE FURNITURE BEING WOOD. THE COMPLAINANT STATED THE RELATIONSHIP TURNED MORE SEXUAL, AND THE DEFENDANT WAS VERY TOUCHY WHEN SHE WOULD VISIT AND WOULD GET UPSET WHEN SHE WAS NOT IN THE MOOD TO ENGAGE IN SEXUAL ACTS.

SRO MASSEY ASKED THE COMPLAINANT IF THE DEFENDANT EVER HURT HER PHYSICALLY, AND THE COMPLAINANT PAUSED, GOT TEARY-EYED, AND THEN ANSWERED NO. THE COMPLAINANT ALSO STATED SHE HAD SEX WITH THE DEFENDANT ONE TIME IN THE BACK OF HER CAR BEHIND FEDERAL AMERICAN GRILL LOCATED AT 8731 KATY FREEWAY HOUSTON, TX 77024.

THE COMPLAINANT STATED THE DEFENDANT STARTED GIVING HER TEST ANSWERS ON CLASS ASSIGNMENTS AND LATER JUST STARTED GIVING HER 100 GRADES ON HER WORK IN HIS CLASS. THE DEFENDANT ALSO GAVE THE COMPLAINANT HIS GRAY STAFF FLEECE JACKET AND A CANDLE THAT SMELLED LIKE HIS COLOGNE "HERO" BY BURBERRY AS GIFTS.

THE COMPLAINANT STATED THE RELATIONSHIP LASTED UNTIL MID-SUMMER 2023. THE COMPLAINANT STATED THAT THE DEFENDANT'S LAST TEXT TO HER WAS OCTOBER 4TH, 2023, STATING NOT TO CONTACT HIM ANYMORE BECAUSE HE AND HIS WIFE WERE TRYING TO RECONCILE.

ON 12/06/2023, AFTER THE DEFENDANT WAS AWARE OF THE SCHOOL'S INVESTIGATION INTO THE INAPPROPRIATE RELATIONSHIP, THE COMPLAINANT'S PHONE WAS EXTRACTED BY SBISD POLICE DIGITAL FORENSIC TECHNICIAN MATTHEW MCBRIDE AND SAVED ON A USB DRIVE FOR EVIDENCE. AFFIANT REVIEWED THE CELL PHONE EXTRACTION AND OBSERVED A SNAPCHAT MESSAGE FROM THE DEFENDANT'S KNOWN NUMBER: 713-870-0383. THE DEFENDANT'S NUMBER WAS CONFIRMED BY SBISD HR RECORDS. THE AFFIANT OBSERVED MESSAGES ON THE COMPLAINANT'S SNAPCHAT THAT READ: DEFENDANT: WE NEED TO TALK. I MISS YOU. CAN WE TALK? I'M SUICIDAL RIGHT NOW. CALL ME. OK BABE. THIS IS HOW IT'S GOING TO BE? DON'T DO THIS, CALL ME. CAN WE TALK IN PERSON? WANT MONEY? I'M ABOUT TO KILL MYSELF. PLEASE CALL ME. AFFIANT ATTACHED ALL SCREENSHOTS TO THIS CASE.

AFFIANT CONFIRMED THAT THE DEFENDANT WAS EMPLOYED AT MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL AS AN EDUCATOR

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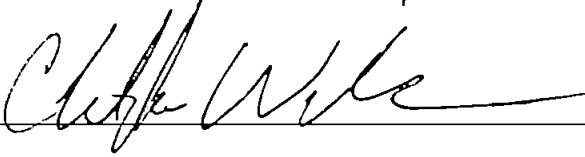
WHEN THE VICTIM WAS ENROLLED AT MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL AS A STUDENT. AFFIANT CONFIRMED THAT THE SEXUAL CONTACT DESCRIBED BY THE COMPLAINANT WITH THE DEFENDANT OCCURRED AT LOCATIONS IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

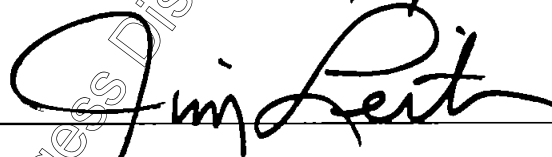
AFFIANT CONFIRMED THE DEFENDANT'S IDENTITY WITH THE PRINCIPAL OF MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL AND THE DEFENDANT'S EMPLOYMENT RECORDS. AFFIANT CONFIRMED THE DEFENDANT WAS A TEACHER AT MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL DURING THE TIME ALLEGED, AND THAT THE COMPLAINANT WAS A STUDENT IN HIS CLASS. AFFIANT CONFIRMED THE DEFENDANT WAS OVER SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF THE OFFENSE.

AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

Signed and sworn by me on 12/7/23

Duly attested by me on 12/7/23

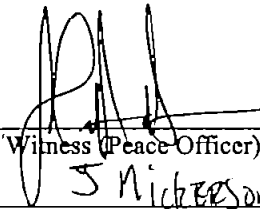
  
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AFFIANT

Assistant District Attorney  
Harris County District Attorney's Office

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Witness (Peace Officer)

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