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for the  Eastern District of Virginia  OCT 1 9 201					
United States of America v.  Leon Alphans Traille, Jr.  Defendant(s)	Case No. 1:12mj & H				
CRIMINAL COMPLAINT					
On or about the date(s) of 10/18/2012 Eastern District of Virginia					
Code Section Title 18 U.S.C. §844 (i) Arson	Offense Description				
This criminal complaint is based on these facts: Please see the attached affidavit  Continued on the attached sheet.					
Reviewed by AUSA/SAUSA:	Complainant's signature				
AUSA Dennis M. Fitzpatrick	SA Robert H. Pool, ATF  Printed name and title				
Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.  Date: 10 9 12	Theresa Carroll Buchanan United States Magistrate Judge  Judge's signature				
City and state: Alexandria, VA	The Honorable Theresa C. Buchanan  Printed name and title				
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LEON ALPHANS TRAILLE, JR.	)		
Defendant.	)		

## AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CRIMINAL COMPLAINT AND ARREST WARRANT

I, Robert H. Poole, being duly sworn, depose and state as follows:

- 1. Your affiant, Robert H. Poole, is a Special Agent (SA) of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and have been so employed as a Special Agent with ATF since 1999. As an ATF Agent I have conducted investigations of federal firearms, arson and explosives violations. I am currently assigned as a Special Agent with the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force in Washington DC.
- 2. Your affiant is authorized to conduct investigations of suspected criminal violations of various federal laws, including federal arson violations as specified in Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 844 et seq. ATF Special Agents are authorized under statutory authority to apply for and execute arrest and search warrants.
- 3. Your affiant personally participated in the investigation of the offenses referred to in this affidavit and has witnessed many of the facts and circumstances underlying this investigation. In addition, the statements contained in this affidavit are based on reliable information provided to the affiant by other law enforcement agents and cooperating witnesses, as well as official documents and

reports reviewed in furtherance of the investigation. In addition, all witness statements are set forth in part and in substance unless otherwise indicated.

- 4. This affidavit contains information necessary to support probable cause. The information contained in this affidavit is not intended to include each and every fact and matter observed or known to the government.
- 5. This affidavit is submitted in support of a criminal complaint charging LEON ALPHANS TRAILLE, JR. with maliciously attempting to damage or destroy, by means of fire or an explosive, any building or other real or personal property used in interstate or foreign commerce or in any activity affecting interstate or foreign commerce, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(i). The term "explosive" includes a breakable container including a flammable liquid or compound, and a wick composed of any material which, when ignited, is capable of igniting such flammable liquid or compound, and can be carried or thrown by one individual acting alone. *See* Title 18, United States Code, Section 232(5).
- 6. On October 18, 2012, at approximately 12:09 pm, Arlington County law enforcement received an emergency call that a man matching the description of the defendant was observed throwing a lit improvised explosive device, sometimes referred to as a "Molotov cocktail", into the food court area of the Ballston Common mall. The device did not explode, but it produced a flame that was extinguished. The device is a brown glass bottle capable of holding at least 16 ounces of liquid. The device was equipped with a cluster of what appear to be wooden matches affixed to the device with white fibrous tape. A witness provided a physical description matching the defendant, including his facial features and a distinctive gray and red backpack.
  - 7. After throwing the device, the defendant proceeded to the second floor skyway area of

the shopping mall. The defendant dropped a bag containing three additional "Molotov cocktails" and exited the mall.

- 8. A picture of the defendant exiting the shopping mall was captured on a video surveillance system. A short time later the defendant was apprehended in a public area in proximity to the Ballston Mall. He possessed the distinctive gray and red backpack at a table in a public area.
- 9. The Ballston Common mall is a large public shopping facility at the center of a 1.3 million square foot urban development located at the corner of Glebe Road and Wilson Boulevard in Arlington County, Virginia, within the Eastern District of Virginia. Many retail stores and dining establishments operate within the mall. The mall facility, including its stores and dining establishments, affect interstate commerce.
- 10. Based on the foregoing, there is probable cause to believe that on or about October 18, 2012, within the Eastern District of Virginia, the defendant, LEON ALPHANS TRAILLE, Jr. did unlawfully and maliciously attempt to damage or destroy, by means of fire or an explosive, any building or other real or personal property used in interstate or foreign commerce or in any activity affecting interstate or foreign commerce, to wit: the Ballston Common Mall, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 844(i).

Robert H. Poole, Special Agent

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of October, 2012.

At Alexand<del>ria, Virginia.</del> Theresa Carroll Buchanan

United States Magistrate Judge

Hon. Theresa Carroll Buchanan

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE