

11-SW-0553

1 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

2 COUNTY OF PIMA, STATE OF ARIZONA

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4 STATE OF ARIZONA)

5) ss. AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF

6 COUNTY OF PIMA) SEARCH WARRANT

7 Personally appearing this ___ day of May 2011, Detective Tisch of the Pima County Sheriff's Department
8 make complaint and say that there is just, probable and reasonable cause to believe that there is now
9 on the premises located at:

10 SEE ATTACHMENT "A"

11 In the vehicles described as:

12 SEE ATTACHMENT "B"

13 The following items to show, Money Laundering, Conducting a Criminal Enterprise, Possession,
14 Distribution, Transportation, Sale of illegal controlled substances and/or Conspiracy to accomplish the
15 same, to wit:

16 1. Books, records, receipts, notes, ledgers, financial institution records, cashier's checks,
17 money orders, pre-paid money cards, computer systems-both hardware and software,
18 contents of computer files, and other papers relating to Money Laundering, Contributing to
19 a Criminal Enterprise, Possession, Distribution, Transportation, Sale of illegal controlled
20 substances and/or Conspiracy and or records relating to the receipt and disposition of the
21 proceeds from the distribution of illegal controlled substances.

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23 2. United States Currency, financial instruments, business records, financial statements, money
24 drafts, letters of credit, safe deposit box records and/or keys, precious metals, jewelry,
25 titles, deeds, contracts, notes and/or papers of financial transactions relating to obtaining,
26 transferring, laundering, concealing, or expanding of money or other items of value made or
27 derived from trafficking in illegal controlled substances.

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29 3. Telephone, address books, caller ID boxes, telephone records indicating long distance calls,
30 texting, voice mail, and/or papers which reflect names, addresses and/or telephone
31 numbers of individuals, businesses, and associates in the purchase, transportation, sale,
32 manufacture and distribution of illegal controlled substances and/or individuals and

33 businesses who aid, assist or conceal the disposition of monies from the trafficking of illegal
34 controlled substances.

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- 36 4. Cellular telephones and the contents of their memories while in police custody or prior to
37 the return of this warrant.
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- 39 5. All income tax returns to include any and all work papers relating to the preparation and/or
40 the accumulation of financial data necessary for income tax preparation.
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- 42 6. Indicia of occupancy or ownership including, but not limited to keys, utility bills, cancelled
43 envelopes, deposit receipts, contracts, loan documents, or any other items in both
44 residences and vehicles.
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- 46 7. Photographs or undeveloped film of individuals, property and illegal controlled substances
47 that could reveal the identity of co-conspirators or links between suspects.
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- 49 8. Marijuana, Cocaine, and other illegal and/or controlled substances, including materials used
50 in packaging, cutting weighing and distributing illegal controlled substances.
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- 52 9. Firearms, and ammunition and/or paperwork to show the purchase of firearms and
53 ammunition.
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- 55 10. Entry into safes, lock boxes, which may contain evidence of Money Laundering, Conducting
56 to a Criminal Enterprise, Possession, Distribution, Transportation, Sale of illegal controlled
57 substances and/or Conspiracy.
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- 59 11. All of the documentation and records described herein, whether stored on paper, computer,
60 video, word processing, electronic storage devices to include but not limited to PDAs,
61 jump/zip drives, computer hard drives and contents of their memory. Any solid state media
62 to include multimedia cards, USB thumb drives, flash based storage and network
63 equipment. It is requested that the case detectives from the Pima County Sheriff's
64 Department and/or the prosecutor's office be granted authorization to have a computer
65 forensic specialist make forensic images of the server, hard drives, computer systems and
66 digital media including diskettes, zip and jazz drives, any optical storage media, backup tapes
67 or other media to include cell phones, sim cards and additional memory used for cell phones
68 for forensic analysis.
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- 70 12. Any other fruits, instrumentalities and evidence of the crimes in violation of Arizona
71 Narcotic Drug Laws and Conspiracy to commit same.
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76 **EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING OF AFFIANT**

77 1. That I, Detective Tisch earned a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Northern Arizona
78 University in 2002. In 2003 I graduated from the Southern Arizona Law Enforcement
79 Training Center, where I was certified as a peace officer in the state of Arizona. I attended
80 an advanced basic training program and then completed three months of "Field Training".

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82 2. I spent three years working as a patrol officer in the San Xavier district. I was then
83 reassigned to the Directed Patrol unit which focuses the efforts of both uniform and plain
84 clothes deputies in high crime areas. During my time with this unit I received specialized
85 training in search warrant writing, knock and talk techniques, undercover officer
86 investigations, and drug interdiction.

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88 3. In addition to my training set forth above, my expertise in drug trafficking, and related
89 investigations has been enhanced by consulting with other law enforcement agencies that
90 perform similar investigations. I have consulted and worked with agents of the Tucson Area
91 Counter Narcotics Alliance (C.N.A.), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Immigration
92 and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)

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94 4. I have written, executed and assisted with numerous search warrants for multiple types of
95 crimes. I was the lead investigator of many cases mainly focusing on narcotic related crime.
96 In 2009 I was reassigned, as a detective, to the Criminal Investigations Division, Special
97 Investigations Unit. This unit mainly investigates continuing criminal enterprises and drug
98 trafficking organizations.

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100 **PROBABLE CAUSE**

101 The following summary of significant events does not include each and every fact known
102 concerning this investigation, only those necessary to provide probable cause for this warrant.

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104 In January 2009, Your Affiant, Det Tisch conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle driven by Alejandro
105 Guerena. The vehicle smelled heavily of fresh marijuana. Investigation revealed that Guerena had in his
106 possession a semi-automatic handgun and several thousand dollars in US currency. Guerena was
107 arrested for Carrying a Concealed Weapon (CCW); however no marijuana was discovered during the
108 search of his vehicle. Subsequent court proceeding resulted in Guerena being found guilty on the CCW
109 Charge.

110 Further investigation after the incident revealed that Guerena had several close associates who
111 were involved with narcotic trafficking. I was later assigned to the PCSD Special Investigation Unit (SIU)
112 which investigates continuing criminal enterprises and drug trafficking organizations.

113 PCSD SIU began investigating Guerena and his known associates, as I Your Affiant being the lead
114 investigator.

115 Surveillance was conducted between September, 9, 2009 and February, 23, 2010. During that
116 time, Special Investigations Unit (SIU) members surveilled Alejandro Guerena multiple times per week
117 and significant incidents were documented.

118 Alejandro Guerena was the main focus of the surveillance operations. SIU members never
119 observed a daily routine. He never drives to a job location routinely, or even has a set time that he
120 leaves his house. He would drive to various locations throughout Pima County, including businesses and
121 residences multiple times per day and stay for short amounts of time. He would meet with other
122 individuals and sometimes changes locations two or three times while meeting with the same people.

123 Your affiant has knowledge that some drug traffickers are aware that electronic communications
124 are subject to law enforcement interception. Therefore, some drug traffickers prefer most transactions
125 to be in person. Those violators move from meeting to meeting with other co-conspirators involved in
126 the various aspects of the drug trafficking organization, i.e. subjects involved in supplying of the drugs;
127 weighing; wrapping; storing the drugs; brokering the drug deal; and the buyer of the drugs. During two
128 of these meetings, SIU followed subjects that had met with Alejandro Guerena.

129 On September, 15, 2009 SIU Members observed Alejandro Guerena meet with multiple
130 individuals at three locations, a Best Buy Store, an appliance resale store and at his residence, previously
131 located at 5561 S. Lemon Tree, Tucson, AZ.

132 After the meeting at his home, SIU members surveilled one of the vehicles that departed the
133 Guerena residence. The aforementioned vehicle/occupants arrived at a residence located at 7634 S.
134 Bosworth Field, this residence is located several miles from the Guerena residence.

135 After about an hour, numerous other vehicles arrived at the aforementioned residence. A
136 subject was observed removing a cardboard box from the garage and placing the box in the bed of a
137 2008 White GMC Sierra Truck, AZ License AFT 8118, the pickup truck had been one of the vehicles that
138 had arrived at the residence earlier. All the vehicles that had arrived at the residence earlier departed at
139 this point.

140 SIU members surveilled the aforementioned truck; due to a traffic violation the vehicle was
141 stopped. The uniform patrol deputy identified the occupants of the vehicle, the driver was identified as
142 Ramses Caballero, and the passenger in the vehicle was Jose Guerena, brother of Alejandro.

143 Ramses Caballero agreed to a consensual search of the vehicle. The search of the vehicle
144 revealed that the aforementioned cardboard box contained large commercial sized rolls of saran-type

145 wrap. It is your Affiant's belief that saran-type wrap is commonly used to wrap and rewrap marijuana
146 for ease of transportation, and masking materials are often utilized to hide the odor of the marijuana.

147 Upon completion of the traffic stop, SIU Surveillance Units observed the truck and its occupant's
148 park in the Desert Diamond Casino parking lot. After about an hour, a sedan pulled up to the White
149 GMC truck and one of the occupants from the sedan entered the truck and drove it away. The White
150 GMC Truck was then followed by the sedan to an apartment complex, located at 1970 W. Valencia RD.
151 The truck was parked and the driver then gets back into the sedan. (It should be noted that this truck
152 remained at the aforementioned apartment complex for at least two weeks, shortly after that it was
153 sold to another unrelated person).

154 The sedan, carrying all three men, then drove to 6286 W. Oklahoma Street. The residence is
155 owned by Jose Rafael Celaya, Alejandro Guerena's father in-law.

156 On September, 16, 2009 PCSD SIU surveilled Alejandro Guerena, who met with an unknown
157 Hispanic male at a Mexican restaurant. After the meeting, SIU Units observed the unknown Hispanic
158 male travel to a residence located at 2976 W. Century. Surveillance efforts were focused on this
159 property for the next two weeks.

160 On October 1, 2009 your Affiant obtained a State of Arizona Telephonic Search Warrant for the
161 premises located at 2976 W. Century. The search warrant was obtained for the premises based on
162 probable cause developed during a traffic stop of a vehicle which had just left the residence. The search
163 revealed marijuana packaged for sale, weapons, cocaine, large rewrapping products and scales. Some of
164 the subjects detained during the search warrant admitted that this property has been used to conceal
165 and repackage more than 1000 pounds of marijuana recently.

166 On October 13, 2009 PCSD SIU determined that Alejandro Guerena had driven his 2010 Ford F-
167 150 "Raptor" Truck to the Phoenix, Arizona area. Guerena made several stops as he drove throughout
168 the city. Upon Guerena's return to the Tucson area, PCSD Patrol conducted a traffic stop on the
169 "Raptor" Truck due to a speed violation. The patrol deputy determined that Alejandro Guerena was the
170 driver of the "Raptor" Truck, and the passengers of the vehicle were identified as Ricardo Quintero and
171 Ramses Caballero (Identified previously on 09/15/09 as the driver of the White GMC Sierra Truck).

172 During the aforementioned traffic stop, Alejandro Guerena stated he had come from Avra
173 Valley, not Phoenix. Guerena consented to a search of the truck, however no contraband was
174 discovered.

175 It should be noted that after the traffic stop surveillance units observed Guerena driving his
176 wife's vehicle, a 2008 Cadillac Escalade not the Ford F-150 "Raptor", prior to this time surveillance units
177 had observed him driving the "Raptor" constantly throughout the investigation until this point in time.

178 It is Your Affiant's belief due to training and experience that suspects who are involved in drug
179 trafficking are aware that law enforcement officers conduct surveillance of their residences, their
180 businesses, and their activities. They are conscious of being followed by law enforcement officers and

181 are therefore difficult to follow. Drug traffickers routinely conduct anti-surveillance driving maneuvers
182 in order to compromise law enforcement surveillance efforts. The utilization of intensive surveillance
183 methods can alert the suspects that their activities are being monitored and could result in a temporary
184 cessation of their illegal activities, or a change in their methods of operation. During a majority of our
185 surveillance we observed very erratic driving behavior. It was very difficult to stay close to the vehicles
186 as it seemed they were trying to lose us. Both the White GMC Sierra Truck and the Ford F-150
187 "Raptor" were not driven by the known subjects after an encounter with law enforcement.

188 On April 20, 2011 Detectives began surveillance of 7180 S. Redwater Dr. When a surveillance
189 vehicle drives in front of their residence a vehicle, belonging to Gerardo Guerena (possibly driven by him
190 as well), begins following the surveillance vehicle. The detective attempts several evasive driving
191 techniques, but is unable to lose the tail. After approximately 11 miles the vehicle does a U-turn and
192 returns the direction it came from. Other nearby surveillance units also spotted Alejandro Guerena
193 driving in the area and talking on the phone. The two vehicles conducted U-turns and headed back
194 toward their respective homes at the same approximate time. I know that people who participate in
195 criminal enterprise routinely conduct "counter surveillance" of unknown persons and vehicles in their
196 neighborhoods. This is a technique used by suspects to identify both law enforcement and rival criminal
197 enterprises, in order to protect their assets. Two days after this incident occurred, a person working at
198 the Motor Vehicle Division ran a records query on the license plate of the surveillance vehicle. An
199 investigation is under way, regarding this query.

200 Narcotic traffickers often use financial habits designed to minimize and hide a paper trail.
201 Traffickers often purchase and/or title their assets in fictitious names, aliases, or in the names of
202 relatives, friends, associates or business entities to avoid detection of these assets by government
203 agencies. Regardless of documented ownership, the drug traffickers continue to use these assets and
204 exercise control over them. The following list is a compilation of information derived from multiple
205 databases separated by individual:

206 **Alejandro Guerena-** A 27 year old male. A Department of Economic Security (DES) record search
207 revealed no wage information associated to his social security number. His family (wife and son)
208 appeared to be receiving DES benefits previously in the amount of \$1321 monthly until December 2010.
209 Current data is not yet available regarding their benefits.

210 During the surveillance of Alejandro Guerena, he was seen in a retail store waiting to pay at the
211 cashier with a large quantity of \$100 bills in his hand. Guerena was also observed usually dressed in
212 expensive brand name clothing.

213 Alejandro is the registered owner of four vehicles (recreational and/or trailers). Two of the
214 vehicles listed were a 1999 Ford and a 2005 Yamaha; the Kelly Blue Book estimated values listed are
215 \$6735.00 and \$5199.00 with a total conservative value of \$11934. A value could not be established, on
216 the two remaining vehicles.

217 It should be noted that Alejandro previously, during a law enforcement contact, stated that he
218 is the owner of a 2010 Ford F150 "Raptor", which is registered to Jose Guerena-Ortiz (his brother). The

219 MSRP is \$38,995.00. Surveillance units observed Alejandro drive this vehicle numerous times. It was
220 determined that only about \$18,800.00 is owed on this vehicle.

221 Alejandro has claimed multiple different careers in the past 2 years, during law enforcement
222 contacts. Alejandro informed Your Affiant during the traffic stop that he was a car salesman, and that
223 he fixes cars up and sells them. Surveillance Units never observed him working on cars.

224 Alejandro has also claimed to operate a horse racing business. A check with the Arizona Racing
225 Commission was conducted, no record of Alejandro possessing a horse racing license was discovered.

226 Alejandro has also mentioned that he is currently building a ranch in Caborca, Mexico. We have
227 no information about its location or associated cost.

228 A check of Alejandro Guerena driver's license record issued on 12-22-2008 revealed that he had
229 provided an address of 123 W. Pajarito Street in Nogales, AZ. This address does not exist.

230 A criminal history check on Alejandro Guerena revealed a documented arrest in 2002 for a
231 narcotic drug violation; in 2003 another arrest for possession of marijuana for sale; in 2005 a possess/
232 use marijuana arrest in which he plead to a different charge, also in 2005 an aggravated assault-deadly
233 weapon / dangerous instrument. In 2009 he was charged and convicted of carrying a concealed
234 weapon. And, most recently he has a number of FTA (failure to appear) incidents. It should be noted the
235 court proceeding disposition on all of these charges, unless mentioned, is unknown.

236 Surveillance units established that Alejandro and his wife Pauline resided at 5561 W. Lemon
237 Tree. A utilities database check of the Lemon Tree address revealed that Pauline has been the account
238 holder since 2005. DES records listed the 5561 W. Lemon Tree as their residential address. The Pima
239 County Assessor lists the owner of the residence as Bertha Guerena (Alejandro's mother). It is believed
240 that Bertha Guerena resides at 7180 S Redwater, Tucson, AZ.

241 However, statements have been made that Alejandro and his family has since moved to Jose
242 Celaya's (Father-in-Law) residence at 6286 W. Oklahoma. Utilities were turned off at the Lemon Tree
243 residence in June, 2010. Utilities have been turned back on by Pauline in December, but it is unknown if
244 anyone currently lives there. Bertha Guerena, Alejandro's mother, is still listed as the owner of that
245 property.

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247 **Pauline Guerena**-a 30 year old female, married to Alejandro Guerena. She is the registered owner of a
248 2008 Dodge Charger with an estimated value of \$13,750. Pauline Guerena is the owner of approximately
249 one acre of vacant land located at 6585 W. Michigan, it was purchased in February 2008 for \$65,000.
250 The DES records check revealed that Pauline has not reported income. As previously stated, DES
251 Records have her residing at 5561 S. Lemon Tree, and receiving \$1321 per month in DES Benefits (these
252 benefits required renewal in 12/10, but updated info is not yet available).

253 **Jose Celaya-** a 57 year old male, father of Pauline Guerena, Marlene Celaya, Denise Ruiz and married to
254 Graciela Celaya. A criminal history check on Jose Celaya revealed an arrest by DEA on 11/23/1993 for
255 Conspiracy to Possess and Distribute Cocaine. A review of the record appeared that a legal remedy for
256 Celaya resulted in a Failure to Appear (FTA) Charge in connection with the case, disposition of the
257 Conspiracy to Possess and Distribute Cocaine is not clear. However Celaya was convicted on the FTA
258 Charge and sentenced to six months in prison and probation for 24 months. As of 04/12/2011, Jose
259 Celaya and his wife, Graciela, are the subjects of outstanding civil arrest warrants.

260 Jose Celaya is the listed registered owner of nine cars, trucks, and/or recreational vehicles. A
261 Kelly blue book (or similar) check was conducted on seven of the nine vehicles, and a fair market value
262 check was conducted determining a conservative value of 57,840.00. Two of the vehicles registered
263 were listed as a 97 VM and a 95 WW, since the vehicle specifications were not listed, a value could not
264 be determined.

265 Pima County Assessor Computer database has Jose Celaya as the owner of residences located at
266 7430 W. Illinois and 6286 W. Oklahoma.

267 A check of the Arizona Department of Motor Vehicle database revealed a driver's license was
268 issued to Jose Celaya on 12/09/2003 with a listed address of 15925 W. El Tiro, Tucson, AZ. However, the
269 record shows a request that all mail go to the 6286 W. Oklahoma address.

270 During an interview of Jose Celaya's, son- in- law, Alejandro Guerena, Alejandro stated to PCSD
271 detectives that the Oklahoma residence is paid in full. This information has not been verified.

272 An Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES) check revealed that Jose Celaya had no
273 reported income associated to his social security number. It appeared that Jose Celaya and/or members
274 of his family received DES Benefits during the 1995 and 1996 time period.

275 **Jose Guerena-** a 25 year old male, brother of Alejandro Guerena. A criminal History Check on Jose
276 Guerena revealed arrests in Pinal county for five felony counts regarding possession of marijuana, drug
277 paraphernalia, and misconduct involving weapons, however no felony convictions were annotated on
278 the record.

279 In 2009, Jose Guerena was a person of interest in A Immigration Customs Enforcement (I.C.E.)
280 investigation involving Conspiracy to Distribute Marijuana. As previously mentioned Jose Guerena was
281 the passenger in the truck stopped containing the large rolls of saran-type wrap.

282 Jose Guerena is the listed registered owner of six vehicles, (to include recreational and a large
283 diesel vehicle). An estimated, conservative value was completed on five of the six registered vehicles as
284 with a total of \$105,385. The registered 1996 Diesel vehicle did not have listed specifications, therefore
285 a value could not be determined.

286 It should be noted that the aforementioned 2010 Ford F150 "Raptor" is registered to him;
287 however as stated previously, his brother Alejandro Guerena drove this vehicle and stated that he is the
288 truck's owner.

289 A DES check revealed that Jose Guerena is employed by ASARCO LLC and income verification
290 was completed. Jose earns about \$41000.00 per year before taxes.

291 Jose Guerena resides at 7180 S. Redwater, which he and his wife Vanessa Guerena own.

292 **Denise Ruiz**-a 31 year old female who is the daughter of Jose Celaya. A DES Check revealed that Denise
293 earned \$3214 in 2009 and no reported income in 2010. She receives approximately \$1620 per month in
294 DES benefits.

295 Denise is the registered owner of six vehicles with a conservative Kelly Blue Book value of
296 \$41,780.

297 A Criminal History Check on Denise Ruiz (Celaya) met with negative results. However, it should
298 be noted that her ex-husband, Francisco Ruiz, and a listed co-defendant Saul Celaya, a relative of
299 Denise's was arrested on felony marijuana charges in January 2009.

300 Denise Ruiz (Celaya)'s current boyfriend, identified as Rudolph Rodriguez, has been arrested for
301 possessing over 2000 pounds of marijuana in the year, 2000. The final disposition is unknown for both
302 aforementioned cases.

303 Denise was also a part of an Immigration and Customs Enforcement investigation involving Jose
304 Guerena. She was the listed utility holder of a house used to stash several hundred pounds of
305 marijuana. Numerous weapons and paraphernalia were also located at that house.

306 **Saul Celaya**- a 31 year old male, believed to be the nephew of Jose Celaya. DES reports Saul earned
307 \$22,607.11 in 2009 and \$5,731.17 in 2010. Saul is the listed registered owner of two vehicles, however
308 their value could not be determined at this time.

309 A Criminal History Check on Saul Celaya revealed a felony arrest and conviction for possession of
310 marijuana for sale, Celaya received 2 years of probation. As previously mentioned, Celaya was the co-
311 defendant with Francisco Ruiz, Denise Celaya' ex-husband.

312 **Miguel Rodriguez**- a 38 year old male who is married to Graciela Rodriguez, daughter of Jose Celaya.
313 DES reports that Miguel is employed by DIRECTV and his earnings for 2008 and 2009 were \$25,781.11
314 and \$32,443.99 respectively.

315 Miguel Rodriguez is the listed registered owner of three vehicles. A Kelly Blue Book Check
316 resulted in the conservative value of two vehicles are \$33,579. A check of the third vehicle could not be
317 determined at this time.

318 A Criminal History Check on Miguel Rodriguez revealed that he was arrested for transportation
319 of marijuana, a felony charge, in 1993. Prosecution on the matter is unknown. He was also arrested for
320 possession of marijuana for sale in 2002. He was found guilty and served 120 days in jail and 3 years of
321 probation. He has also had multiple "failure to appear" arrests for misdemeanor charges.

322 **Marlene Celaya**- a 23 year old female and daughter of Jose Celaya. She resides at the residence located
323 at 6286 W. Oklahoma. DES reports wages of 13,992. 00 for the first, second and third quarter of 2009.
324 No reported income since the third quarter of 2009. Marlene had income in the amount of 22,627.50 for
325 the entire year of 2008, and 18,180.88 for the entire year of 2007.

326 Marlene Celaya is the registered owner of three 3 vehicles, one of which is a 2008 Cadillac
327 Escalade. A Kelly Blue Book review of the three vehicles resulted in a total conservative value of
328 \$50,599. A Criminal History Check on Marlene Celaya, met with negative results.

329 **Gerardo Guerena**- a 23 year old male, brother of Alejandro Guerena. DES reports that Gerardo has no
330 reported income, but has applied for benefits in the past. He is not currently receiving any benefits
331 however. He has five vehicles registered to him, with a conservative value of \$22,874. Gerardo has
332 multiple arrests for marijuana and paraphernalia, but misdemeanor class only. Gerardo is the owner of
333 the vehicle that followed the surveillance vehicle away from the Redwater address for 11 miles.

334 A review of the properties owned by the aforementioned subjects:

335 6286 W. Oklahoma, this is the primary residence of Jose Celaya. It is believed that Alejandro Guerena,
336 Pauline Guerena, Marlene Celaya, Graciela Celaya (Jose Celaya's wife) all reside here. Later in the
337 investigation, this is where most of the people involved would arrive and leave throughout the day.
338 Most people leaving or returning to this location were coming from other, related, nearby residences.
339 This house is owned by Jose Celaya and Graciela Celaya.

340 Estimated Value \$ 211,357.

341 7430 W. Illinois, This property is owned by Jose Celaya. Numerous vehicles involved in the investigation
342 travel to and from this location multiple times per day.

343 Estimated Value \$ 66,911.

344 5561 S. Lemon Tree, this was the primary residence of Alejandro Guerena. His mother Bertha Guerena
345 is the owner of this property. It is believed to be vacant at this point. Utilities were turned off in June
346 2010 and then turned back on in December 2010. This was the main residence of activity in the
347 beginning of the investigation. It is unknown why Alejandro moved his family from this location to the
348 Oklahoma property.

349 Estimated Value \$104,359.

350 7180 S. Redwater, this property is owned by Jose and Vanessa Guerena. Vehicles belonging to Gerardo,
351 Jose, and Bertha Guerena have been located at this property.

352 Estimated Value \$105,776.

353 It should be noted that a review of the aforementioned list of subjects registered vehicles
354 places a conservative total value at \$344,476.00. This is not to include the annual upkeep and insurance
355 of the 32 vehicles, at a conservative cost of \$5000 per year.

356 Two other investigations have also suggested that some of these people are directly involved
357 with the distribution of marijuana.

358 The first case occurred in April 2009. ICE agents surveilled a grocery store parking lot for
359 narcotics-related activity. They saw a vehicle, believed to be loaded with marijuana, arrive and get
360 dropped off. Two other males walked over to the vehicle and got in. They drove it to a house on south
361 Sunset road. ICE agents were granted a search warrant based on their observations. Over 1000 pounds
362 of marijuana were discovered at that location as well as weapons and paraphernalia used to distribute
363 marijuana. The suspects, who left the marijuana at the stash house, were followed to 6622 W. East
364 Arrow. They were ultimately arrested there. Jose Guerena was also at that residence when I.C.E. agents
365 moved in to make arrests. He was very uncooperative with the agents on scene. Surveillance efforts on
366 our behalf also located this residence prior to knowledge of this incident. We observed Alejandro
367 Guerena driving to this location multiple times for short visits. We also observed vehicles belonging to
368 Jose Guerena at this location multiple times. As a result of the I.C.E. investigation two males were
369 arrested, plead guilty, and are currently awaiting sentencing. Alejandro Guerena and Jose Guerena
370 were not indicted in the aforementioned case.

371 The second case relating to this group of subjects occurred in April 10 2011. The "caretaker" of
372 7430 W. Illinois called Jose Celaya, the property owner, and told him there were armed men on the
373 property. He disconnected the phone call and gave no other information. When Sheriff's Deputies
374 arrived on scene they located a small pool of blood and a substantial amount of marijuana
375 paraphernalia. The detectives on scene reported that the amount of wrap would equate to
376 approximately 1 ton of marijuana. The person who was reportedly injured at that location has still not
377 been found and their status is unknown.

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386 In summary, this group of individuals has been surveilled for a six month period, and certain
387 facts about their behavior have been established. There is no pattern to suggest that a legitimate work
388 routine exists. No one ever went to a place of business and stayed for any significant amount of time.
389 With the exception of Miguel Rodriguez, who works for Direct TV, no one was ever seen wearing a work
390 uniform.

391 Department of Economic Security reports, for the most part, that these individuals do not have
392 the income to support their assets. Some are receiving benefits as well. Their arrest histories suggest a
393 pattern of narcotic related crime. Seven of the nine individuals outlined have a criminal arrest in their

394 past. Five of the nine have been arrested for narcotic related crime. Four of those five have felony drug
395 arrests.

396 During the SIU surveillance concerning the aforementioned subjects, they were not observed
397 handling or even in the proximity of narcotics. This organization has outsourced marijuana
398 transportation in the past, as outlined in the I.C.E. case. The risk of law enforcement detection is less
399 likely if your personnel are not directly in contact with the contraband items that you transport.

400 Many of the assets, such as vehicles and homes, are registered under family member's names;
401 and multiple times the addresses given for these registrations are not accurate. This is an asset
402 protection technique. Suspects believe if law enforcement cannot directly connect an asset to a person,
403 then it is not subject to seizure. For the above stated reasons, I believe that these individuals operate a
404 mid-level drug trafficking organization in the Tucson area.

405 That based on the above facts, Your affiant request that this affidavit be considered and
406 incorporated into the warrant, and that a search warrant be issued for the properties listed in
407 Attachment "A" and vehicles listed in Attachment "B" for the seizure of said evidence.

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409 Detective Alex Tisch

410 Pima County Sheriff's Department

411 **SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN before me this _____ day of May 2011.**

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414 **PIMA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE**

415 **STATE OF ARIZONA**

Attachment A-1

7430 W. Illinois St.

Approximately 1.7 acres of property surrounded by an approximate 5 foot high chain link/block fence. The entrance is at the end of the easement, running north off Illinois. The main structure is immediately to the right of the entry gate. It is a single story residence under construction. The house is beige stucco with the front door facing west. A car port is on the west side of the structure. There is a duplex directly north of the main gate. It is white in color, concrete block with the front doors facing south. A car port is on the east side of the duplex. Approximately 2/3's of the way east on the property is a sub fence that goes north and south. On the north east quad of the property is another cement block structure with the door facing south. On the south side of the property is a block wall with a pass through to the property to the south east of the residence under construction.

Attachment A-2

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31 7180 W. Redwater Dr.

32 A single family residence, wood frame stucco coated exterior, tan in color. The residence is
33 single story. The front door faces southeast. An attached two car garage is positioned to the
34 right of the front door. The property resides on the northwest corner of Redwater and
35 Oakbank. The numbers 7180 are affixed to the house.

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6286 W. Oklahoma St.

A red block, single story structure. The mail box, with 6286 on it, is on the south side of Oklahoma across from the driveway. The drive goes past two residences, one on the east and one on the west of the driveway. The front door faces south. An off white double garage door faces east. The garage is attached to the southeast side of the residence. There is a patio roof on the north side of the house. Residence has a red tile roof with a satellite dish on the south west corner. The property has a chain link fence dividing it from the neighboring properties. On the north edge of the property is a horse corral with a tack shed. There is a training ring in the center of the north yard. There are entry doors to the south and east.

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Attachment A-4

85 5561 S. Lemon Tree Dr

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87 The residence is beige stucco. The front door and two car garage door face west. The property is
88 surrounded by a five foot block wall with a double wood gate facing west on the south side of the
89 garage. On the north side of the garage under a light are the numbers 5561. The front entrance to
90 the residence is on the north side of the residence facing west. The black mail box has small
91 numbers 5561 on the front of it and sits by the road on the south side of the property.

Attachment B

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2	2010 Ford, F150, VIN	1FTEX1EV3AFA02318	Owner: Jose Guarena
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4	2007 Chevrolet, 4DSW, VIN	1GNFC13007R324064	Owner: Jose Guarena
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6	2007 Chevrolet, 4DSD, VIN	2G1WT58K579193811	Owner: Bertha Guarena
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8	2005 Chevrolet, 34PU, VIN	1GCHK29U45E180396	Owner: Jose Guarena
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10	2007 Chevrolet, 12PU, VIN	1GCEK19037Z611445	Owner: Jose Celaya
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12	2005 GMC 4DSW, VIN	1GKEK63U25J247480	Owner: Jose Celaya
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14	2008 Dodge Charger, VIN	2B3LA53H08H128613	Owner: Pauline Guarena
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16	2008 Cadillac Escalade, VIN	1GYFK638X8R232972	Owner: Marlene Celaya
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18	2002 GMC, 12PU, VIN	1GTEK14T62Z322375	Owner: Marlene Celaya
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20	2004 Chevrolet, 12PU, VIN	3GNEC12T64G136393	Owner: Gerardo Guarena
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22	2008 Chevrolet, 12PU, VIN	1GCEK14048Z288774	Owner: Gerardo Guarena
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24 This is a list of known vehicles associated to this organization. I am also requesting permission to
25 search all vehicles parked on the properties in attachment A, or the property's curtilage, which are
26 clearly related to the occupants, at the time of the warrant service.