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# ARRAIGNMENT REPORT

Created Date : 10/8/2020 12:51PM

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## DESCRIPTION

Incident # : 20-26028

Arrested Location : 1100 TOWN RIDGE DR

CFS # : 879130

Bldg:

Apt:

Floor:

Court Date : 10-09-2020

MIDDLETOWN, CT

## OFFENDER DESCRIPTION

Name : AGRONT, KEVIN

Sex : M

Race : W

Age : 22

## OFFENDER ADDRESS

Location : 1123 TOWN RDG

Bldg:

Apt:

Floor:

MIDDLETOWN, CT 06457

**ARREST VIOLATION DESCRIPTION**

Statute Code : 21A-267(A)  
Violation Code : 21A-267(A) - USE OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 21a-277(b)  
Violation Code : 21a-277(b) - ILLEGAL SALE OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 21a-277(c)  
Violation Code : 21a-277(c) - POSSESS DRUG PARAPHERNALIA IN A DRUG FACTORY  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 21a-278(b)  
Violation Code : 21a-278(b) - ILLEGAL SALE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE BY NON-DRUG-DEPENDENT PERSON  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 21a-279(a)  
Violation Code : 21a-279(a) - POSS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE/NARCOTICS  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 53-21  
Violation Code : 53-21 - RISK OF INJURY TO CHILD  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 53a-138  
Violation Code : 53a-138 - FORGERY 1ST  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 53A-217  
Violation Code : 53A-217 - CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF A FIREARM, AMMUNITION OR AN ELECTRONIC DEFENSE WEAPON  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 53a-217a  
Violation Code : 53a-217a - CRIMINALLY NEGLIGENT STORAGE OF A FIREARM  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

Statute Code : 53a-217c  
Violation Code : 53a-217c - CRIMINAL POSS OF A PISTOL OR REVOLVER  
Violation Code Type : STATE STATUTE  
Violation Count : 1  
Law Enforcement Disposition : BOOKED INTO JAIL  
Arrest Type : Taken Into Custody  
Charge Date : 10/8/2020

**ARREST EMPLOYEE DESCRIPTION**

Name : LEMIEUX, MARK

Duty Assignment : Detective

Role : Arresting

Action Date : 10/8/2020

Agency : MIDDLETOWN POLICE

**REMARKS**

On 10-08-2020 the Middletown Police Department Narcotics Unit, assisted by members of the DEA task force proceeded to 1100 Town Ridge Dr to serve a signed search and seizure warrant on 1123 Town Ridge Dr, Middletown, CT 06457 and the person of Kevin Agront. This warrant was the result of numerous complaints regarding narcotics activity by building management, and hours of surveillance and investigation by the Narcotics Unit.

At approximately 0830 hours Detectives set up surveillance in the area to locate Agront. At approximately 0855 hours Sgt Yepes observed a black BMW bearing [redacted] pull into the parking lot of 1100 Town Ridge Dr. Sgt Yepes was able to identify the operator as Kevin Agront, based on his knowledge our investigation. Yepes advised Detectives Peck and Schreiner who responded to the area and detained Agront in handcuffs and the remaining Detectives and task force officers responded to the scene in execute the search warrant. When Detectives detained Agront, he was carrying his child who will be identified as Juvenile 1 for the purposes of this report. The child was unharmed and cared for by LT Godwin for the remainder of the search warrant. Agront told Detectives he had a friend in the apartment. While Detectives were searching Agront, they recovered a red iPhone.

Believing this is the same phone Agront had been using to arrange narcotics transactions, Detectives later called the number 860-794-7546. This number was found to have been contacted by a recent arrestee in order to buy marijuana, after securing a search warrant and examining the contents of that arrestee's phone. The name associated with this phone number was labeled, ' [redacted] ' in the arrestee's phone. When I called the number from my work cell phone, Agront's phone rang. It was then placed into airplane mode and seized as evidence pending a search warrant.

Upon arrival to the exterior apartment door Detectives knocked and announced our presence and intent to serve a search warrant. After a period of time and fearing whoever may have been inside may be attempting to destroy evidence, Detectives utilized a key to enter the apartment. While clearing the apartment, Sgt Yepes located a female in the bathroom, who will be identified as person 1 for the purposes of this report. Person 1 was detained in handcuffs and seated in the livingroom. Detectives then began a thorough search of the apartment for narcotics. Detectives located the following;

-In the sole bedroom belonging to Agront:

\$5769.00 US currency in a baby's crib located by Lemieux

A Glock 23 pistol next to Agront's bed (S/N: TVB888) by Lemieux

\$17,000.00 in a safe located in the closet by Peck

Box containing 8 individual bags of marijuana (total weight 8.311 lbs) in the closet by Yepes

Heat sealer on the floor by Yepes

Money counter in closet by Lathrop

Proof of residence (mail) in closet by Yepes

Duffel bag containing 2 individual bags of marijuana (total weight 1.657 lbs) in closet by Lathrop

Bag of marijuana (total weight .9445 lbs) labeled "Plat Budda" containing \$290.00 in closet by Lemieux

2 photos of Agront in a bin in closet by Yepes

Loose ammunition (1 - .40 bullet and 3 - .380 bullets) in a bin in closet by Yepes

Bag of marijuana (total weight 2.7 grams) in a bin in closet by Yepes

2 bags of marijuana (total weight 30.7 g) in the crib by Lemieux

One fake 100 dollar bill by Yepes in the closet

It should be noted Agront is both a convicted felon and the respondent in a protective order stemming from a recent domestic violence incident. Both of these facts preclude him from owning a firearm or being in possession of ammunition. The firearm magazine contained a total of ten rounds, and there was no round chambered in the firearm. The serial number of the firearms was checked through dispatch and found to be stolen (and confirmed stolen) from a residence in Wallingford, CT. Heat sealers are often used by those involved in the buying and selling of large quantities of marijuana in order to mask the smell and to neatly package marijuana and other narcotics for re-sale. The photos that were seized were both of Agront. One depicted him counting a large sum of money while the other had a hand written caption referencing Agront selling drugs in the lobby of a building.

-In the kitchen

Scale with ziplock bags (packaging material) on the counter by Peck

Bag of marijuana (total weight 24.4 g) on the counter by Peck

Heat sealed bags containing marijuana residue in garbage by Lathrop

Gold jewelry on counter by Lemieux

Medical marijuana card and debit card on counter by Peck

Wells Fargo card in cabinet by Yepes

Make shift sales ledger in cabinet by Yepes

Hyundai keys on counter by Peck

Title to Hyundai in cabinet by Yepes

Pink iPhone on counter by Peck

Those involved in the buying of marijuana in bulk quantities for sale usually re-package the marijuana into smaller quantities in order to increase their profit margin. In order to do this they often possess scales and re-packaging materials as we found in Agront's kitchen. When these individuals buy large amounts of marijuana, the marijuana typically comes in a heat sealed bag which helps avoid detection from law enforcement in the event they are stopped while in possession of the marijuana. The people involved in the re-packaging will then remove the marijuana from the heat sealed bag, discard it and re-package the marijuana for sale. This process explains the heat sealed bags with marijuana residue in the garbage. In order to keep track of their sales or money owed to them, those involved in the sale of marijuana and other illicit narcotics keep ledgers or notes, like the one found by Sgt Yepes in the kitchen cabinet. These ledgers can be detailed and extensive, or meant to be used as a brief reminder of small transactions. Often, ledgers such as this are found in cell phones but it is still common to locate them written on paper as well. Det Peck located Agront's medical marijuana card. The card indicated he is able to legally possess 2.5 ounces or less of marijuana. A check of Agront's prescription history shows he hasn't made a legal medical marijuana purchase since 10-09-2019 when he purchased 1.8 grams of a "medical marijuana product". After locating the Hyundai keys in Agront's apartment, Detectives located a Hyundai in the parking lot bearing CT registration . The license plate actually belongs on a Mercedes that Agront was regularly operating at the beginning of our investigation. Upon looking into the car from the exterior we observed a small black bag with a "Glock" logo embroidered on it. Fearing there may be a second firearm within the vehicle inside that bag, or the bag may possibly be evidence related to the stolen firearm case, the vehicle was seized pending a search warrant.

-In the living room

5 bags of marijuana (total weight .2865 lb) located on the couch by Lathrop

Kevin Agront was transported to the Middletown Police Department for processing. At the police department, Agront was charged with the following; 21a-279(a)(1) possession of more than 4 oz of marijuana, 21a-277(b) possession of marijuana with intent to sell, 21a-267(a) possession of drug paraphernalia, 21a-277(c) operating a drug factory, 21a-278(b) possession of over 1kg of marijuana with intent to sell, 53a-138 forgery 1st, 53a-217c criminal possession of a pistol, 53-21 risk of injury, 53a-217 criminal possession of ammunition, 53a-217a criminally negligent storage of a firearm on UAR 8878031. Agront was given a court date of 10-09-2020 at GA-09 in Middletown and held on a \$500,000.00 surety bond.

A check of Kevin Agront's Check revealed prior convictions for 21a-279(b) possession of narcotics in a prohibited place, 21a-277(a)(1A+) possession with intent to sell, 21a-279(a)(1) possession of a controlled substance and 53a-64 reckless endangerment. Agront has current pending charges for 21a-277(b)(2A\*) possession with intent to sell (Meriden PD) and 53a-182 disorderly conduct (Middletown PD).

The marijuana was transported back to the Middletown Police Department to be field tested and weighed by Det Peck. The total amount of marijuana seized from Agront was 11.2527 lbs and was tested using NARK kit # 2005 showing a positive result. 11.2527 lbs is far more marijuana than any user typical user would have in their possession and is indicative of someone selling marijuana. The total street value if sold at \$3,500.00 per pound would be approximately \$39,384.00.

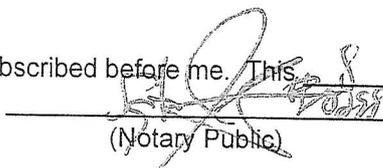
The money seized from Agront's apartment was \$23,059. The money was counted by Det Peck and verified by Det Lathrop. Agront's last reported income was the third quarter of 2017 in the amount of \$36.09. The total amount of reported money Agront made in all of his reported income between the fourth quarter of 2016 until the date of the warrant was \$2,069.80. Based on the results of our investigation, Detectives deemed the money seized in the apartment was likely ill-gotten gains of narcotics trafficking. Therefore, the \$23,059.00 was seized under asset forfeiture.

Juvenile 1 was also transported to the Middletown Police Department where he/she was cared for by Middletown Police Detectives. DCF was contacted Detectives from the Special Investigations Unit and the child was eventually turned over to his mother, Person 2. See Sgt Porter's supplement for further details.

On 10-8-2020 Detective Schreiner completed a search warrant for the Hyundai we seized from the parking lot of 1100 Town Ridge Dr. When the search warrant was granted Sgt Yepes and I searched the interior of the vehicle. The bag that had the "Glock" logo on it was found to be empty but was seized, as it may be evidence from the stolen gun case from Wallingford. In the glove compartment, I located two separate boxes of ammunition for a total of 40 rounds (.40 caliber). These rounds are compatible with the pistol located inside the apartment.

Detective Peck completed DNA testing on the seized Glock 23. See his supplement for further details. A lab request for the firearm will be tested in regard to the seized firearm.

Officer's Signature   
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Sworn to and subscribed before me This 8 Day of October  
  
(Notary Public)