

STATE OF MAINE  
YORK, ss.

DISTRICT COURT  
LOCATION:  
DOCKET NO. BID-SW-15-28

IN RE: SEARCH WARRANT FOR  
THE Parsonsfield RESIDENCE  
OF Richard W. Sanborn Sr.

)AFFIDAVIT AND REQUEST  
)FOR SEARCH WARRANT  
) [M.R.Crim. P. 41]

**AFFIDAVIT AND REQUEST FOR SEARCH WARRANT**

**TO ANY JUDGE OR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE**

I, Investigator Joshua B. Bubier, a duly sworn law enforcement officer for the Maine Warden Service, hereby state under oath and upon penalties and pains of perjury that there is probable cause to believe that:

**I. Located on or about the property described below, namely:**

- 1.) The premises and residence of RICHARD W. SANBORN SR. DOB [REDACTED] said residence being located at [REDACTED] in the town of Parsonsfield, County of York, State of Maine. Said residence being more fully described as a cape style residence with yellow wooden clapboard siding and white trim around windows and a green metal roof. There is an entryway door facing Maplecrest road and above the door there is a sign that reads "The Sanborn Sr.'s". When turning westerly off of route 160 onto Maplecrest road, the residence is the first residence on the left. There is also a detached garage/shed that can be seen that is located just prior (easterly) and slightly behind the main house (see photo attached).
- 2.) Any vehicles that are associated with the above named RICHARD W. SANBORN SR. [REDACTED] including but not limited to a 2000 Chevy 1500 pickup truck, said to bear vehicle identification number [REDACTED].
- 3.) Any buildings, outbuildings, sheds, campers, broken down automobiles and/or any type of structure on the premises of RICHARD W. SANBORN SR. which could be used to conceal firearms, illegal wildlife or parts thereof taken in violation of Maine State law.
- 4.) Any refrigerators or freezers (locked or unlocked) located on the premises of RICHARD W. SANBORN SR.

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5.) The Person of Richard Sanborn Sr.

**II. There is certain evidence or property, namely:**

Property/Evidence to be seized/searched:

1. Any and all Black Diamond Muzzleloading Firearms
2. Any and all .308 caliber rifles
3. Any and all .243 caliber rifles
4. Any and all 30-30 caliber lever action rifles
5. Any and all illegally possessed deer meat and deer parts including but not limited to meat and parts from the six point buck falsely registered by RICHARD SANBORN Sr. in November 2014.
6. 2014 Deer registration seal bearing #239812
7. Any and all illegally possessed bear meat and/or bear parts to including but not limited to gall bladders and paws.
8. Any and all documentation which shows the purchase/sale of guided bear hunts by clients paid to RICHARD W. SANBORN Sr.
9. All electronic digital and analog data storage devices, USB drives, digital cameras, cell phones and MP3 players, and MP3-like players, etc. and software and written materials relating to the operation of the device(s) (such as computer reference books, guides and notes)
10. Any and all photographs, negatives, videos, digital images, or correspondence of any kind relating to and/or depicting dead wildlife believed to have been taken in violation of Maine state law
11. Documentation that establishes dominion and control over the above described residence by the said RICHARD W. SANBORN [REDACTED], including but not limited to bills of sales, receipts, personal correspondence, utility bills, deeds or other documents

All of which are seizable under Maine Law, Rule 41(b) of the Maine Rules of Criminal Procedure, as non-testimonial evidence of criminal activity as defined in Title 12 Section 12305 as it pertains to False Registration of Deer, class E; Title 12 Section 11501(2) as it

pertains to Hunting Deer After Having Killed One, class D; Title 12 Section 11217(A)(1) as it pertains to the Purchase and/or Sale of wild animals (Bear), class D; and Title 12 Section 12853(1) as it pertains to Guiding without a License, class D.

III. My conclusion that such probable cause exists is based on the following factual information:

- 1) In October of 2011 a request for a special investigation into the illegal hunting practices of RICHARD W. SANBORN SR. DOB [REDACTED] and his wife, KATHY A. SANBORN DOB [REDACTED] was submitted for review. A game warden investigator was assigned to conduct a special investigation probe (in a covert capacity) to determine if RICHARD W. SANBORN SR. and KATHY A. SANBORN were engaged in serious hunting violations to include (but not limited to) Guiding without a license, illegally selling bear parts and other class D hunting violations.
- 2) Your affiant, Investigator Joshua B. Bubier, a Game Warden Investigator with the Maine Warden Service, was assigned as the case manager for a special investigation concerning RICHARD and KATHY SANBORN.
- 3) A Game Warden Investigator was assigned to act as a covert operative in order to investigate this case, from here forward this Game Warden Investigator will only be known as the "Operative". The Operative is a Maine Game Warden Investigator and has been employed by the Maine Warden Service for over 25 years. The Operative has participated in numerous special investigations as a covert operative, which has resulted in hundreds of prosecutions for serious class D and class E fish and wildlife crimes as well as numerous felonies. The Operative is an experienced covert operative who has been conducting undercover investigations since 1996.
- 4) In August 2013, the Operative was assigned to conduct a Special Investigation Probe on a RICHARD W. SANBORN SR. and KATHY A. SANBORN, the subjects are husband and wife and are suspected in engaging in serious class D hunting violations to include illegally selling bear parts.
- 5) Your affiant states that on August 30, 2013 the Operative made contact with RICHARD SANBORN SR. via the internet social networking site Facebook. The Operative discussed wanting to go bear hunting and SANBORN SR. offered a guided week long bear hunt for one-thousand dollars or a one day bear hunt for five hundred dollars, plans were made for the Operative to make contact with SANBORN SR. at a later date.  
NOTE: SANBORN SR. does not have a license to guide hunters in the State of Maine.

- 6) The Operative reported that he had two digitally recorded phone conversations with SANBORN SR. on September 6, 2013 and again on September 18, 2013 in regards to going on a guided bear hunt with SANBORN SR. on September 21, 2013.
- 7) On September 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> 2013 the Operative spent time with SANBORN SR. and his associates and had multiple conversations with SANBORN SR. regarding his involvement in illegally guiding without a license, night hunting, illegally selling/buying bear parts, and other serious class D crimes. The Operative observed several violations of illegal hunting first hand to include hunting bear in New Hampshire without a license and during closed season, hunting bear with 9 dogs (maximum number of dogs allowed in Maine is 6), guiding without a license, and illegal possession of bear parts with intent to illegally sell without a hide dealer's license. The Operative heard SANBORN SR.'s associates openly discuss their involvement in illegal activity and observed them participate first hand in some of the above mentioned crimes. The Operative determined that SANBORN SR. and many of his associates were clearly predisposed to commit serious class D hunting violations.
- 8) On September 20, 2013 while riding in a vehicle with SANBORN SR. and his wife, KATHY SANBORN, SANBORN SR. discussed with the Operative that if he killed a bear he (SANBORN SR.) had a friend who was a licensed Maine guide that would go to the tagging station to register the bear with the Operative. SANBORN SR. explained that a non-resident hunter, as the Operative was posing as, was not allowed to hunt bear with the use of hounds in the state of Maine unless accompanied by a licensed Maine guide.
- 9) Later in the evening of September 20, 2013 SANBORN SR. advised the Operative that since he would only be hunting bear with him for one day he would only be required to pay him five-hundred dollars if the Operative killed a bear.
- 10) The Operative reported that while bear hunting with SANBORN SR. on September 21, 2013 SANBORN SR. again told him that he (SANBORN SR.) was only expecting a \$500 payment from the Operative if he was actually able to tree a bear for the Operative to shoot. He told the Operative if he booked a hunt next year he would charge the Operative \$1000 for the week regardless if he got a bear or not. SANBORN SR. also told the Operative that he could reduce that price a little to \$750 if the Operative brought someone with him for the week (\$750 each).

11) The Operative reported that at approximately 10:20 AM on September 21, 2013, a KENNETH L. MARTINEAU [REDACTED] [REDACTED] of Parsonsfield and CORY R. HALE [REDACTED] also of Parsonsfield called SANBORN SR. to tell him they had a bear treed with their dogs in New Hampshire. The Operative arrived with SANBORN SR. at MARTINEAU and HALE's location along route 153 in Effingham, New Hampshire and the men walked into the location where the dogs had the bear treed. It was decided that they would let the bear out of the tree and SANBORN SR. would release his dogs to chase the bear back into Maine (a distance of approximately 1 mile). At approximately 11:10 AM SANBORN SR.'s GPS unit he was using to track the dogs indicated that dogs now had the bear treed in Maine. When the Operative walked into the tree with SANBORN SR. he noted that there were now 9 dogs at the base of the tree (Maine law limits the use of 6 dogs to pursue bear). MARTINEAU and HALE had released dogs as well by this point as well as an individual by the name of SCOTT C. DAY DOB 10/2/1969. The dogs were pulled away from the tree and the Operative shot and killed the bear out of the tree. This was video recorded (digitally) by an 11 year old boy by the name of NATHAN and a Jake GAGNE [REDACTED]. Everyone took turns dragging the bear out of the woods and it was loaded into the back of SANBORN SR.'s Ford Ranger pickup truck.

12) The Operative reported that at approximately 1:00 PM while driving to the tagging station in SANBORN SR.'s pickup truck, SANBORN SR. told the Operative that he owed him \$500 for getting him a bear. SANBORN SR. advised the Operative that he would give MARTINEAU and HALE some of the money for initially treeing the bear but he also told the Operative that he should buy the men some beer for their efforts.

13) SANBORN SR. and the Operative met CHRIS ST. SAVIOUR [REDACTED] and ST. SAVIOUR was briefed on what had occurred so it would appear that ST. SAVIOUR had been with the Operative during the bear hunt and when the bear was killed. The men went to the tagging station in Limerick where the Operative registered the bear. ST. SAVIOUR went into the store and also signed the tagging slip. SANBORN SR. got a 30 pack of Bud light beer and a 12 pack of Twisted-Tea beer and told the Operative to pay for it. SANBORN SR. told the Operative that it was payment to the guys (HALE, MARTINEAU, DAY, and C.ST.SAVIOUR) for helping him on his hunt.

14) The Operative reported that while back at SANBORN SR.'s residence later that day SANBORN SR. cut out the bear's gallbladder. MARTINEAU and HALE mocked SANBORN SR. for being so greedy with the price he offers them for their bear gallbladders. SANBORN SR. openly discussed how his buyer in Hawaii had to work hard to find a buyer and get a high paying price. The men continued mocking SANBORN

SR. for being cheap and not paying a fair price for the bear gallbladders (The men were joking but again appeared as if their concerns were serious). The men commented that they did not believe SANBORN SR. was being truthful about how much profit he made on the bear gallbladders he sold to his buyer in Hawaii. K.SANBORN helped her husband put the gallbladder in a zip-lock bag. While at the residence the Operative paid SANBORN SR. \$500 he owed him for the bear hunt. The Operative observed SANBORN SR. walk away and hand what appeared to be approximately \$80 to MARTINEAU. SANBORN SR. stated that he should have the Operative hand ST. SAVIOUR the money first just to make sure he wouldn't get in trouble. SANBORN SR. told ST. SAVIOUR he would give him some money for assisting but ST. SAVIOUR stated that the beer that the Operative purchased was payment enough.

15) On the evening of September 22, 2013 the Operative spoke with SANBORN SR. via the telephone and SANBORN SR. began to explain how his bear gallbladder buyer in Hawaii will sometimes get him \$500 for one. SANBORN SR. told the Operative that sometimes it takes a while to get a good price. SANBORN SR. and the Operative had a lengthy discussion about the gallbladders and the prices of them.

16) The Operative reported that on the evening of October 26, 2013 he had numerous conversations with SANBORN SR. at his residence. SANBORN SR. discussed selling bear and bear parts to a Chinese food restaurant in New Hampshire and about selling the gallbladders to his buyer in Hawaii for \$500. SANBORN SR. showed the Operative two gallbladders frozen in his freezer. The Operative offered to purchase the gallbladders for \$100 dollars each and SANBORN SR. agreed to sell them to him. The Operative advised SANBORN SR. that it was illegal for him to buy, sell or possess the gallbladders in Pennsylvania and SANBORN SR. told him that he would not say anything to anyone. SANBORN SR. discussed his knowledge with the Operative about needing a hide dealer's license in order to buy and sell gallbladders in Maine and how he is taking a big chance by shipping the gallbladders through the mail to Hawaii.

17) The Operative reported that the following morning, 10/27/13 he was again talking with SANBORN SR. at his residence as SANBORN SR. prepared to go bear hunting in New Hampshire and he explained that he gets way more money sending them (gallbladders) to Hawaii but told the Operative he is taking a big chance and a lot of risk in getting caught. SANBORN SR. said, "If they ever open one of my packages, I'm [REDACTED], I can say I'm giving them away for a Christmas present and that I'm not selling them, but I'm probably still [REDACTED]." SANBORN SR. said, "I can [REDACTED] give them (gallbladders) away but can't [REDACTED] sell them."

18) The Operative advised your affiant that on 11/23/13 SANBORN Sr. took a phone call from one of the members of his "hunting crew" (the DUNNELLS family) and SANBORN Sr. advised the Operative that they would be meeting the DUNNELLS to hunt with them (conduct deer drives). The Operative advised that they arrived at one of the DUNNELLS residence's and he was introduced to a number of people who would be hunting and participating in the deer drives as either "standers" or "pushers". The Operative advised that there were ten people present for the first deer drive that they did. The Operative further advised that they continued to go to different locations and "push" different pieces of woods. After lunch time more hunters joined the group and at one point at least 13 people were involved in the same deer drive. RICHARD SANBORN Jr. arrived as well using a 30-30 lever action rifle and also participated in the deer drive (Sanborn had already killed several deer up to that date during the deer season and was hunting after having killed one). Previously on 11/13/13 SANBORN Jr. had registered an adult male deer allegedly shot and killed in Parsonsfield, Maine. The tagging records alleged that SANBORN Jr. shot the deer with a .243 caliber rifle. The Operative noted that SANBOR Sr. had a semi-automatic .308 caliber rifle during these deer drives, additionally SANBORN Sr. also kept a .243 caliber rifle at his residence that SANBORN Jr. would occasionally use. According to the Operative, the firearms which SANBORN Jr. would use while hunting are kept at the residence of SANBORN Sr. and include a .308 caliber rifle, a .243 caliber rifle and the 30-30 lever action rifle.

19) On 11/23/13 the Operative witnessed SANBORN Jr. participate in a deer drive using his 30-30 caliber lever action rifle. Your affiant would note that according to Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife's Big Game Registration Records, RICHARD SANBORN Jr. registered an adult male deer on 11/13/13. The Operative advised your affiant that SANBORN Jr. openly discussed killing deer with the Operative and had advised he had already killed three deer during the "then current" 2013 hunting season. SANBORN Jr. described both of the deer he had shot as being killed over he and TREVOR SANBORN's baited tree stand and that both were doe deer. SANBORN Jr. stated that one of the deer was simply cut up and the other was registered by a MYRON WATSON. Your affiant would note that according to Big Game Registration records MYRON WATSON registered an adult female deer on 11/11/13.

20) Your affiant was advised by the Operative that on the afternoon of 11/23/13 while "road hunting" with SANBORN Jr. in the Operative's vehicle along with SANBORN Sr. and SANBORN Jr's daughter. The Operative observed SANBORN Jr. with a .243 inside the vehicle which SANBORN Jr. loaded inside the vehicle

21) The Operative advised that during two separate phone conversations with SANBORN Sr. on 5/26/14 and on 6/2/14 SANBORN Sr. discussed prices for bear parts to include bear

gall bladders. SANBORN Sr. also advised that he gets good money for gall bladders from his buyer in Hawaii but that it takes a long time to get rid of all of his gall bladders because he is only able to sell a few at a time and that he also has to wait a period of time before he gets the money for the gall bladders. The Operative advised that several months later on 8/21/14 he spoke with SANBORN Sr. again and they discussed buying and selling bear parts. The Operative had told SANBORN Sr. that he would be coming up with his friend's (fictitious buyer's) money to purchase bear parts. SANBORN Sr. told the Operative that he would need to come up with "all" of the buyer's money because he would have "a bunch of [REDACTED] paws and galls".

22) Your affiant was advised by the Operative that on yet another phone call on 10/5/14 with SANBORN Sr, SANBORN Sr. told the Operative that he was getting five-hundred dollars for each gall bladder he sold to his buyer in Hawaii. The Operative told SANBORN Sr. that his friend and buyer would be sending up eight hundred dollars when the Operative came back up in October. SANBORN Sr. told the Operative to bring all of it with him. During this conversation that the Operative had with SANBORN Sr., SANBORN Sr. told the Operative that he had treed six different bear for clients to shoot. SANBORN Sr. also advised that he had only taken paying customers out this year. SANBORN Sr. stated that he was getting paid for taking clients through Southern Maine Guide Service on bear hunts with his hounds because Southern Maine Guide Service did not have bear dogs.

23) The Operative reported that on 11/19/2014 he had a telephone conversation with RICHARD SANBORN Sr. In this conversation SANBORN Sr. updated the Operative on what had happened since he had left the area on November 9<sup>th</sup>. SANBORN Sr. told the Operative that he registered a 6 point buck that he had "shot the nose off of" during a deer drive. SANBORN Sr. also commented that SANBORN Jr. had registered a "spike" buck. On the same date, after getting off the phone with SANBORN Sr. the Operative called and spoke with SANBORN Jr. SANBORN Jr. went into further details regarding the deer that he had registered. The Operative later learned that SANBORN Sr. had actually only wounded the six point buck during a deer drive and that DALE DUNNELLS Sr. actually killed the deer and his father registered it for DUNNELLS Sr (DALE DUNNELLS Sr. had still yet to register a deer of his own). SANBORN Jr. laughed when he told the story about how "he was sleeping" when he got the spike buck that he registered. He explained that he was awakened by TREVOR SANBORN's phone call on 11/14/14 asking him if he would register the deer that he had just shot (TREVOR SANBORN had previously killed and registered a deer on 11/3/14).

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- 24) Your affiant would note that according to registration records RICHARD SANBORN Jr. did in fact register an adult male deer at approximately 10:25 AM on the morning of 11/14/14 at the tagging station in Limerick, Maine.
- 25) The Operative advised that on 12/11/14 he arrived at the residence of RICHARD SANBORN Jr upon arriving in the area to stay and hunt for several days. SANBORN Jr. told the Operative about how his father (RICHARD SANBORN Sr.) had gotten into an altercation with a landowner on 11/29/14 after he and his hunting group had conducted a deer drive in the town of Newfield. SANBORN Jr. told the Operative that his father had illegally killed a doe deer (already tagged out and exceeding the bag limit) with his .308 rifle and that KENNETH MARTINEAU registered the deer. This story was again repeated by SANBORN Jr. to DAVID HARMON at HARMON's residence later that evening and HARMON acknowledged knowing about the circumstances. The following day on 12/12/14 the Operative had a personal conversation with SANBORN Sr. in which he was told a detailed story of how he had shot the doe deer with his .308 on 11/29/14, got in a confrontation with a landowner and then had KENNETH MARTINEAU later register the deer for him. Your affiant would note that Game Warden Carleton Richardson received a call regarding this incident and spoke to the landowner and received photos of the individuals involved driving away in a pickup truck, further corroborating the stories told by SANBORN Jr. and SANBORN Sr.
- 26) Your affiant would note that according to Big Game Registration records KENNETH MARTINEAU registered a female deer on 11/29/14 at approximately 4:21 PM claiming to have shot the deer in the town of Parsonsfield with a .308 caliber rifle.
- 27) Your affiant was advised by the Operative that on 12/12/14 he was hunting with SANBORN Sr., DERRICK DUNNELLS, DANIEL DUNNELLS Sr. and a BARRY HADLOCK and the group was conducting organized deer drives in the Town of Limerick. The Operative witnessed SANBORN Sr. hunting deer after having killed or registered one using his .50 caliber Thompson Black Diamond Muzzleloader. The Operative also witnessed DANIEL DUNNELLS hunting with two Thompson Black Diamond Muzzleloaders and DERRICK DUNNELLS hunting with an older style muzzleloader which utilizes the older "caps" for ignition. The group conducted a deer drive seeing several deer. Afterwards they were joined by a SAM H. JEWELL and DARRELL DUNNELLS. On the third deer drive the group conducted, the Operative witnessed DARRELL DUNNELLS position himself in a field to watch for deer (DUNNELLS frequently hunts from his vehicle due to difficulties getting out and moving around in the woods), DUNNELLS had previously tagged out on 12/6/14 by registering an adult female deer at the Limerick tagging station. At approximately 1245 hours the
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Operative heard 2 shots coming from where DANIEL DUNNELLS Sr. was positioned and about a minute after that heard one shot come from where DERRICK DUNNELLS was positioned. The Operative walked to DANIEL DUNNELLS Sr.'s location and DANIEL DUNNELLS Sr. advised that he had shot both of the muzzleloaders he was carrying (both Thompson Black Diamonds) at two separate deer and had killed one female yearling deer. The Operative then went to DERRICK DUNNELLS location and discovered he had also killed a yearling doe with his older style muzzleloader. The Operative assisted in transporting deer and muzzleloaders back to the road and vehicles and spoke with DARRELL DUNNELLS who was still sitting in the truck with his loaded "Wolf" brand muzzleloader.

- 28) Your affiant was advised by the Operative that after registering his deer DANIEL DUNNELLS Sr. again participated in a deer drive in the town of Cornish. DUNNELLS sat in his vehicle watching over a spot he expected the deer to cross. DUNNELLS only loaded one of his muzzleloaders, which, according to the Operative had a stainless steel barrel.
- 29) The Operative noted that later in the day on 12/12/14 at approximately 1600 hours while he and RICHARD SANBORN Sr. were "road hunting" (hunting deer from a motor vehicle) they met DARRELL and DERRICK DUNNELLS who also stated they were out road hunting but had yet to see any deer. All the men laughed about how they were still hunting but were all legally "tagged out". SANBORN Sr. made the comment, "That's how we [REDACTED] do it up here in Maine".
- 30) On 12/13/14 the Operative reported assisting in numerous deer drives with the DUNNELLS family and SANBORN Jr. and SANBORN Sr. along with several other hunters. The Operative once again witnessed SANBORN Sr. hunt with his Thompson Black Diamond Muzzleloader and also witnessed DANIEL DUNNELLS Sr. hunt with his Thompson Black Diamond Muzzleloader. DERRICK DUNNELLS also was hunting but much of the day he used one of his father, DANIEL DUNNELLS Sr.'s Thompson Black Diamond Muzzleloaders.
- 31) The Operative reported that during the last hour or so of legal hunting on 12/13/14 he once again "road hunted" with SANBORN Sr. SANBORN Sr. told the Operative that he would likely not travel to New Hampshire to pick up the gall bladder that he knew he could purchase and in turn, sell to the Operative because it was too far away. SANBORN Sr. stated that he would pick it up on one of his trips to New Hampshire and would have it for the Operative when he came back to Maine. Later that evening the Operative stated that SANBORN Sr. explained that he would never buy the required "Hide Dealer's License" that legally allowed him to buy and sell gall bladders because then he would

have to report who he purchased his gall bladders from and who he was selling them to and he didn't want anyone knowing.

**IV. My education, training and experience may be summarized as follows:**

- 1) Your affiant has been a Maine Game Warden for over seven years and has been working as an investigator since February 2013. Your affiant is a 2008 Graduate of the 14<sup>th</sup> Basic Law Enforcement Training Program from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and has also successfully completed the Maine Warden Service's Advanced Training Academy. Your affiant has prepared numerous search warrants and has also participated in the execution of numerous search warrants to go along with hundreds of criminal investigations involving fish and wildlife crimes.
- 2) The Operative has been employed by the Maine Warden Service for approximately 25 years and has participated in numerous special investigations as a covert operative, which has resulted in hundreds of prosecutions for serious class D and class E fish and wildlife crimes as well as numerous felonies. The Operative is an experienced covert operative who has been conducting undercover investigations since 1996.

**V. Based on my education, training and experience, and the facts set forth in this affidavit, there is probable cause to believe, and I do believe, the following:**

- 1) RICHARD SANBORN Sr. has engaged in the offenses of Guiding without a valid license, False Registration of Deer, Hunting Deer after having killed one, Driving deer and Selling bear parts without a hide dealer's license.
- 2) Your affiant would point out that unlike a formal interview conducted by a person that a suspect knows to be a law enforcement officer, the subjects making statements to a covert operative are doing so to a person that they believe to be a friend and associate. The persons making statements like those of RICHARD SANBORN Sr., RICHARD SANBORN Jr., and other associates of the SANBORN's, are made in a setting where the suspects have no knowledge that the statements they are making are to a law enforcement officer. Therefore both SANBORNS and others who provided information to the Operative felt as though they were doing so to an ordinary citizen and the statements made are less likely to be done in a manner so as to deceive the listener which in this case was the Operative.
- 3) Your affiant would state that based on his training and experience as a Game Warden and as a hunter that people will often times still have some meat from even one deer, bear or other big game animal for over a year after having killed one. Such meat will often be frozen and stored in refrigerators and/or freezers which may be locked or

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unlocked. Hunters will also keep and retain parts of big game animals such as antlers, skulls, claws, etc. as mementos and as a source of bragging rights. As with antlers and other animal parts, it is also very common for hunters to keep and retain their firearms and other pieces of hunting equipment for very long periods of time and they are often stored in the owner/users residence and/or vehicle(s) throughout the year. Your affiant believes that deer, deer parts, bear, bear parts, firearms and other items listed to be searched for will be in the possession of RICHARD SANBORN Sr.

4) Your affiant would also state that based on his training and experience in investigating individuals who partake in buying/selling bear gall bladders it is common for individuals to store gall bladders and other marketable bear parts in cold storage, such as freezers, for months at a time waiting to get a high price for the items and to also be able to space out the sale of the items so as not to raise suspicions (in this case where SANBORN is shipping some gall bladders to Hawaii).

5) It has also been your affiant's experience both as a Game Warden and a hunter that people will take photographs with both digital and traditional cameras as well as with cellular phones of hunting activities and of the animals killed during these activities as mementos of the event. It has been the experience of your affiant that often times digital photographs/images taken are often stored on digital storage devices including but not limited to: memory cards, SD cards, thumb drives and internal storage memory on cell phones.

- a. Your affiant believes that a careful off-site forensic examination of the cell phone or other electronic storage devices by a trained examiner in a forensic laboratory, such as those maintained by the Maine State Police Computer Crimes Unit, would result in the recovery of electronic data that has been stored on the computer.
- b. Forensic examination of electronic data stored on a computer ordinarily involves making an exact duplicate "image" of the electronic data storage device(s) (i.e., hard drives, compact disks, floppy disks, SD cards, etc) and examining the duplicate image rather than the original storage device itself, so as not to cause any changes to the stored electronic data.
- c. Such recoverable electronic data includes internet browsing history, electronic communications (email, text messages, word documents, etc.) personal calendars or diaries and other electronic data that demonstrates the identity of the person who exercised dominion and/or control over the electronic device (such as a phone) or its contents.
- d. It is further requested that in the event that computers or electronic data storage devices are in fact seized, they may be examined by a trained forensic

examiner from the Maine State Police Computer Crimes Unit, or any other State or federal law enforcement agency qualified to do so, either at the place of seizure or upon removal of the equipment to a forensic lab, or both. I request the making of a duplicate "image" of any computer or electronic data storage device that is seized pursuant to this warrant for subsequent forensic examination. It is further requested that civilian employees of a law enforcement agency may assist in the execution of this warrant. It is also requested that the forensic evaluation of the computer and the seized data be done at a time and place designated by the Maine State Police Computer Crimes Unit.

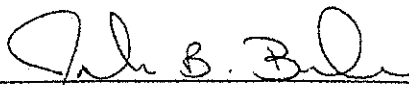
6) In your affiant's training and experience it is common for illegal fish and game to be stored at residences of friends and family. Due to the number of associates several search warrants and interviews will be conducted simultaneously when this warrant is executed.

7) Based on the observations of the Operative and of your affiant, RICHARD SANBORN Sr. lives in a residence located at 6 Maplecrest Road in the town of Parsonsfield, Maine. In addition, local Game Wardens and/or the Operative who is familiar with the residence of SANBORN Sr. and its location will be briefing the warden(s) who will be executing the search warrant on the details of the case and the warden(s) will be shown the location of the residence prior to execution.

**WHEREFORE, I pray that a warrant may issue authorizing a search of the Property/Premises described above in Part I for the Property/Evidence described above in Part II, and that if such Property/Evidence be found that it shall be seized.**

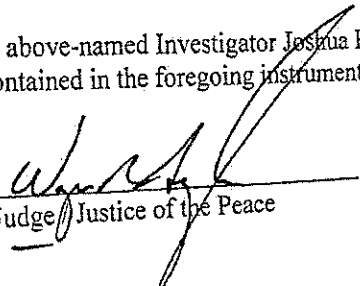
**I hereby swear under pains and penalties of perjury that the facts set forth in this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.**

Dated: 3.9.15

  
Investigator Joshua B. Bubier  
Maine Warden Service

Appeared before me under oath on this date the above-named Investigator Joshua B. Bubier and signed and swore to the truth of the facts contained in the foregoing instrument.

Dated: 3/9/2015

  
Justice of the Peace