



POLICE CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

Docket Number:	Date Filed:	OIN Live Scan Number: G 787051-6	Complaint/Incident Number: E#20036-17
Defendant Name:	First: TANISHIA	Middle:	Last: FIELDER

5. WHY AFFIANT BELIEVES THE SOURCE OF INFORMATION:

- X Source is presumed reliable, i.e. other Police Officer, Eyewitness, Victim of Crime, etc.
Source has given information in the past which has led to arrest and/or conviction
Defendant's reputation for criminal activity
- X This source made declaration against his/her penal interest to the above offense
Affiant and/or other Police Officers corroborated details of the information

Your affiant is a detective with the Allegheny County Police Department currently assigned to the Homicide Section. Your affiant has been a police officer with the Allegheny County Police Department since 2001, and was assigned to General Investigations in 2003, and then reassigned to the Homicide Section in 2009. Since becoming a detective, your affiant has conducted numerous criminal investigations. All of the information contained in this affidavit was learned directly or relayed to your affiant by other investigators and or police officers involved in this homicide investigation.

On Friday, September 8, 2017 Sergeant Hahn of the Swissvale Police Department requested the investigative assistance of the Allegheny County Police Homicide Section. The request was in reference to an 8 day-old baby that was stabbed with a knife by the mother. The baby, "John Doe" sustained knife wounds near the right eye, and was transported to UPMC-Children's Hospital by Munhall EMS for treatment of his injuries. The incident location was 7535 Melrose Street located in Swissvale.

Swissvale Police Officers Sergeant Hahn and Kester took Tanishia Fielder into custody upon their arrival. Tanishia Fielder made the statement to the officers, "I stabbed the baby, that's the devil baby".

Your affiant, along with Detective Hoffman responded to the scene, while Detective Fitzgerald responded to UPMC-Children's Hospital to conduct interviews of the medical staff and father of the victim.

During scene processing a black colored handled knife was collected underneath the dumpster, behind the apartment building, located at 7535 Melrose Street. Witnesses advised the Swissvale Officers that the actor was hiding something behind the dumpster.

Detective McKeel conducted an interview of the actor, Tanishia Fielder. Detective McKeel gave her Miranda Warnings. Tanishia Fielder admitted to stabbing the baby and the father and indicated that she did it because God had told her to do it. She stated that god told her she needed to kill the baby, dismember him and throw him in the garbage because he was "by the devil". She told detective McKeel that she retrieved the knife from the kitchen drawer.

During interviews of two witnesses Alexis Raymond and Shyron Cooper they stated they both attempted to help the father and the baby during the incident, the actor came out from behind the apartment building and chased both Raymond and Cooper with the knife to their apartment building which was located next door to the scene. The actor told them that she wanted to stab them like she stabbed the baby and attempted to get in the front door of the apartment building. Raymond described the knife as being long with a black handle.

During an interview of the father, Darwin Hanner he stated that he and Tanishia Fielder got into an argument earlier today and he saw her with a knife. He said she chased him and the baby with the knife and the baby was stabbed and was bleeding.

Based on the aforementioned facts and circumstances your affiant believes that Probable Cause Exists and respectfully request the enumerated criminal charges be filed against Tanishia Fielder.