

CONTINUATION OF CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

1. I, Jeffrey K. Poikey, a Special Agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), make this continuation of criminal complaint from personal knowledge based on my participation in this investigation, communication with others who have personal knowledge of the events and circumstances described herein, and information gained through my training and experience. The information outlined below is provided for the limited purpose of establishing probable cause to believe that, on or about October 13, 2017, in Ontonagon County, Kathryn Maria **Hellen (hereinafter "Hellen")** distributed methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, and also possessed this controlled substance with intent to distribute, all in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(C). This statement does not contain all details or all facts of which I am aware relating to this investigation.

2. I have been employed as a Special Agent with the DEA since August 1995. Prior to becoming a Special Agent, I was employed by the Indianapolis Police Department, located in Indianapolis, Indiana, for 10 years, six of which were spent as a detective with the Narcotics Division. During this time, I was involved in numerous drug investigations involving violations of the Controlled Substances Act.

3. **Hellen**, a female, was born on a known date in November 1990. A computerized criminal history (CCH) shows that **Hellen** has the following criminal convictions from the state of Michigan:
 - a. Operating a vehicle while impaired – misdemeanor 2010, and
 - b. Operating a vehicle while intoxicated– misdemeanor 2014

4. Detective Joshua Saaranen of the Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team – West (UPSET-West), recently initiated a narcotics investigation into the activities of Kathryn Maria **Hellen**. During the investigation, Detective Saaranen utilized a confidential source (CS) to conduct a controlled buy of methamphetamine from **Hellen**. This controlled buy took place in Ontonagon County, which is in the Western District of Michigan, Northern Division, on or about October 13, 2017. Prior to the controlled buy, detectives searched the CS and CS's vehicle for any illegal contraband. The search

found none. The CS was then provided with pre-recorded official funds along with an electronic audio transmitter. During the controlled buy, surveillance detectives were led to a residence located at a known address on Pennsylvania Avenue, Ontonagon, Michigan, a known residence for **Hellen**. The CS, who was equipped with an electronic audio transmitter, was observed by detectives to meet with **Hellen**. The CS then accompanied **Hellen** inside her residence. During this meeting, **Hellen** exchanged a clear crystalline substance with the CS for the official pre-recorded funds. The CS was later observed to depart **Hellen's** residence and meet with Detective Saaranen. The CS then surrendered the clear crystalline substance. Detective Saaranen took possession of the substance and later field-tested the substance, which gave a positive indication for methamphetamine.

5. On the same day, October 13, 2017, a state narcotics search warrant was authorized by the Honorable Judge Janis M. Burgess, 98th District Court of Ontonagon County, Michigan, for the search of **Hellen's** residence located at the aforementioned known address on Pennsylvania Avenue, Ontonagon, Michigan. Ontonagon, Michigan is also in Ontonagon County. Later that day, Detective Saaranen, assisted by other narcotic detectives, executed the search warrant upon **Hellen's** residence. A search of the residence resulted in the seizure of approximately 220 grams of additional methamphetamine, two digital scales, several zip-lock baggies (consistent with packaging illegal narcotics), a loaded handgun, \$3,070 in United States currency, along with assorted documents, identification, and U.S. mail addressed to **Hellen**. **Hellen** was not home at the time of the search. All items of evidence seized during the search were transported to the Houghton Police Department where they were secured. A field test was conducted on the suspected methamphetamine by Detective Scott Monette. The field test gave a positive indication for methamphetamine. A state arrest warrant was subsequently issued for **Hellen** out of Ontonagon County, charging **Hellen** with delivery of methamphetamine.

6. On October 17, 2107 **Hellen** was located and taken into custody outside of her residence located at the aforementioned known address on Pennsylvania Avenue, Ontonagon, Michigan, and transported to the Ontonagon County Jail. Later that day, I met with **Hellen** and Detective Saaranen at the Ontonagon County Jail. I identified myself and Detective Saaranen to **Hellen** by showing her my DEA credentials. I then read **Hellen** her *Miranda* warnings, which she stated she understood. I informed **Hellen** that she did not have to talk with us and if she chose to speak with us it would be

done voluntarily. **Hellen** replied, "I will talk with you, I have nothing to hide." **Hellen** stated that she was a user of methamphetamine and recently met an Asian male who lived near Wausau, Wisconsin, who sold methamphetamine. **Hellen** stated she met with this person prior to October 13, 2017, and purchased approximately eight ounces of methamphetamine from him for \$5,000. **Hellen** stated she returned to her residence located at the aforementioned known address on Pennsylvania Avenue, Ontonagon, Michigan, where she stored the methamphetamine.

7. I know, as an agent with more than 22 years of experience with the Drug Enforcement Administration, that this amount of methamphetamine (approximately 220 grams), along with the baggies, scales, and U.S. currency (\$3,070), is far greater than personal use amounts and is consistent with the intent to distribute.
8. Based on these facts, I submit that there is probable cause to believe that, on or about October 13, 2017, Kathryn Maria **Hellen** knowingly distributed methamphetamine and possessed methamphetamine with the intent to distribute, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(C).