

IN THE North Mesa JP COURT
STATE OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF MARICOPA

RELEASE QUESTIONNAIRE

DEFENDANT'S NAME Roland Alexander Jones **DOB** [REDACTED] **BOOKING NO.** _____
ALIAS (ES) Alex Jones

A. GENERAL INFORMATION**Charges:**

ARS 13-1302.A3	Custodial Interference	C6F
ARS 13-2907.A1	False Reporting	C1M
ARS 13-29.7.01.A	False Reporting	C1M

Pursuant to A.R.S. §41-1750 ten-print fingerprints were taken of the arrested person? Yes No
If yes, PCN = _____

Pursuant to A.R.S. §13-610 one or more of the above charges requires the arresting agency to secure a DNA Sample from the arrested person? Yes No

If yes, does the defendant have a valid DNA sample on file with AZDPS? Yes No

If no, Arresting Agency has taken required sample? Yes No

Offense Location: [REDACTED]
Offense Date: 06/16/17 Offense Time: 1232 hours

Arrest Location: _____
Arrest Date: _____ Arrest Time: _____

B. PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

1. Summarize and include the facts which establish probable cause for the arrest for the crimes charged:

On 06/16/17, S/Roland Alexander Jones called police to report his daughter, Madeline Frieda Jones (19 years old, DR #20171670371) and Madeline's son, William Jones-Gouchenour (nine months, DR #20171670452) missing from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] roximately 1232 hours (FALSE REPORTING: ARS 13-2907.A1). Roland made this call from his personal cell phone (480-220-6996) from the area of Mesa Drive/Baseline, Mesa, AZ, according to cell detail records. It should be noted this is the area of Madeline's divorce attorney (and another attorney later called by her mother, Cassandra Pearl Yusko Jones from Cassandra's cell phone records) as well as Superior Court. Before Roland begins speaking to the call taker, there is an unintelligible whisper and what sounds like a baby fussing in the background. Later in the call, a whisper is again heard when Roland is asked for Madeline's age, height and weight. Roland indicated his wife, Cassandra was currently at the listed residence and Madeline and William had last been seen on 06/15/17 around 1730 hours. Madeline had told family members she was going to meet with an appellate attorney reference her divorce and custody. Madeline stated she planned on retaining this attorney then was going to visit a friend. Roland indicated Madeline had been stressed about her divorce recently where 50/50 custody was granted to Madeline and V2/Samuel Jacob "Jake" Gouchenour Jr (William's biological father). Roland stated

Madeline has made no indications of hurting herself or William. Roland stated he did "not know what to do" and also stated all of Madeline's personal belongings were left behind to include wallet, phone, car seat, diaper bag, etc.

On 06/16/17 police arrived at the incident location at approximately 1328 hours where Roland and Cassandra stated Madeline did not leave in any of their vehicles as all were accounted for. Additionally, all of Madeline's personal items listed before were still in her bedroom. Roland and Cassandra then stated they thought Madeline's ex-husband, "Jake" had something to do with Madeline and William going missing but would not provide any further details (CUSTODIAL INTERFERENCE: ARS 13-1302.A3 and FALSE REPORTING: ARS 13-2907.01.A). Roland and Cassandra then referenced historical occurrences about harassment (drones and suspicious vehicles on their street) and Jake's past to include a Title IX violation (BYU-Utah); however, it should be noted, there were no criminal charges resulting from that investigation. Roland and Cassandra also brought up a case filed in December 2016 where Jake met William for the first time and allegedly molested William in the court house cafeteria. Roland supervised this visit and after the visit claimed Jake had molested William and had put socks laced with chemicals on his feet. Cassandra stated she took William to a pediatrician because of this and stated William's penis had been deformed from the molest and his feet had chemical burns. After an investigation, and forensic examination from a pediatrician, William showed no injuries to his penis or evidence of chemical burns. No charges were filed regarding that investigation. Jake later filed a counter-report against Madeline for making a false abuse report.

Roland and Cassandra also brought up an alleged kidnapping incident from Montana during May 2016 involving Madeline and Jake. It was later learned there were three different law enforcement jurisdictions involved in that incident and a copy of that report indicated the call cleared as a welfare check where Madeline never mentioned anything criminal occurring other than Jake taking her cell phone for a few minutes because he wanted to talk with Madeline without interference from Cassandra. Madeline only wanted to go back to Arizona.

Cassandra further stated the court recently ordered Jake with 50/50 custody but the initial visitations (two weeks) required supervision from the court. Of note is William was diagnosed with a digestive disorder which causes him to vomit often, even as an infant when he was only breast fed. Now that William is experiencing new foods, it has been determined he is very sensitive to some foods. Jake was made aware of William's condition prior to his visits with William and was provided a list of foods which William does better with.

Jake's first visit with Willaim occurred on the morning and afternoon on 06/14/ 17 in two-hour blocks. No issues were documentd on this date. Cassandra said during the morning visit on 06/15/17, Jake bottle-fed William some formula. Cassandra stated when she took custody of William at the end of the two hour visit (at 1145 hours), William immediately began to vomit and

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continued to vomit for hours. Cassandra believed William was vomiting due to Jake feeding William the formula so she took William to the pediatrician (at approximately 1430 hours). Cassandra stated while at the pediatrician, the pediatrician took a video of William vomiting and sent it to the divorce judge right then. It should be noted William was fed the formula one-hour into the supervised visitation and another hour transpired before the end of the supervised visitation. William never vomited during that time and had fallen asleep by the end of the visitation at 1145 hours (according to supervised visitation records). Also, according to cell phone records, Cassandra had Google searched "ipecac" on her cell phone at 1245 hours then immediately made a call to CVS. CVS was contacted by police and indicated they do not carry ipecac as it is a vomit-inducing substance. Also, the pediatrician was later contacted by police and said William did not vomit during his assessment. The pediatrician said they did not take a video of William and therefore did not send anything to any judge.

Cassandra also stated she drove Madeline to the Mesa Arizona (LDS) temple on 06/15/17 around 1630 hours and picked Madeline up approximately one hour later. Cassandra stated Madeline never goes anywhere alone and did not feel safe because of the recent divorce. The investigation revealed Madeline had attended the temple, alone, from 1059 hours to 1203 hours (verified by temple surveillance and temple attendance records). On this same date at 1059 hours, Cassandra is seen on bank surveillance making a cash withdrawal in the lobby in the amount of \$2900. At 1107 hours Madeline texts Cassandra and says, "Don't tell Matt what the other lawyer recommended." Madeline calls a family friend, a cosmetologist, at 1144 hours but receives no answer. Madeline then texts the same person at 1224 hours, "Can you give me a call?" but again receives no answer.

Madeline's friend, was staying with Madeline at her parent's house (incident location) during the time Madeline and William went missing. According to cell phone records, received several text messages from Cassandra's phone on 06/15/17 at 1256 hours stating, "Are you coming home soon? Can you dye my hair? I have dye. My roots are scary. Do you have any developer? Awesome thanks for doing my hair!!"

Cassandra stated she had been making dinner and heard the front door open and shut around 1630 hours. A short time later, Cassandra heard the front door open and Cassandra stated Madeline yelled out where either the keys or the car seat were then Cassandra heard the front door shut again and that is the last time Madeline and William were heard of. Cassandra stated there is an Order of Protection (OOP) in place and that was all police needed to know (this OOP has since expired). Because of the OOP, Jake was not present for William's birth and the first time Jake met William was in December 2016 when it was alleged Jake had molested William. Cassandra signed the missing person affidavit in order to report Madeline missing.

was later interviewed and told police the following: when she arrived at Madeline's house around 1304 hours, Madeline told he was the one who had texted from her mother's phone and she (Madeline) was the one who wanted her hair dyed. also saw Madeline on her laptop looking at a website, "How to Disappear." said she and Madeline's juvenile sister asked her what she was doing and if she was was thinking about disappearing. Madeline told them she was going on "vacation" and taking William. Madeline said the attorney she was going to meet with later that night has helped people take vacations. Madeline told the less she knew about it the better stated while she was dying Madeline's hair (a dark brown color),

Cassandra took William to the pediatrician because Jake had fed him formula. Kelci saw William throw up before Cassandra left with him but said this time William's vomit was very different than what she had seen in the past (she has lived with Madeline and William and has witnessed him throw up numerous times in the past). Kelci described the vomit that day as "greenish" and "mucousy" whereas before it was "white" and "milky."

When Cassandra returned from the pediatrician with William, asked Cassandra if she knew Madeline's plans about going on "vacation" and Cassandra said, "What has to be done, has to be done. Do you have any better ideas? I don't know what else to do." said when she asked Madeline more about leaving, Madeline said, "I'm going to jail either way." Madeline explained to she thinks she is going to jail for misrepresenting the divorce court judge to the visitation center. Later, after finishing dying Madeline's hair, saw Madeline and Cassandra with William in the kitchen. William was dressed in a girl's dress with a bow in his hair. said she went to her room and a short time later the family met at the table for dinner. Madeline and William were not there and the family talked about how she said she was going to meet with a new attorney and then see a friend. thought that was odd, since it was completely out of character for Madeline to meet with anyone about the divorce and custody issues without her mother or someone else with her.

urther stated the following morning, 06/16/17 at about 0700 hours, Cassandra woke up and told her to gather her belongings and take Cassandra's teenage daughter to her apartment because Cassandra and Roland may be going to jail. ated as she was gathering her belongings, Roland's mother came over and Roland gave her a handgun, small safe and some paperwork. Roland's mother took custody of the other two younger children in the home at that time.

According to neighborhood surveillance there is a lot of vehicular traffic at the incident location between approximately 1300 hours and 2030 hours on 06/15/17. It should be noted the surveillance is from a distance and does not cover the incident location's driveway, just the front door area. Foot traffic is seen between the incident location and a next-door neighbor between 1850 hours and 1946 hours. The neighbor stated Cassandra and her two youngest children came over to swim during that time. Roland's cell phone shows him arriving at the incident location around 1632 hours, and surveillance shows the vehicle Roland was driving never stops and turns around in the cul-de-sac, leaves then arrives back at the incident location at 1641 hours. At 1643 hours another family vehicle leaves and at 1645 another vehicle arrives and multiple people are seen going in/out of the residence. The vehicle which arrived at 1645 hours is seen leaving at 1658 hours.

On 06/16/17, prior to Roland calling police, Cassandra made two bank withdrawals totaling \$2640. The first withdrawal was from an ATM (\$160) at 0916 hours and the second withdrawal from the inside lobby (\$2300) at 0921 hours. Cassandra is seen smiling and laughing with the employees at the bank. It should be noted Cassandra had made an additional bank withdrawal the day prior (06/15/17) in the amount of \$2900 at a different location.

On 06/17/17 a missing person's investigator and detective contacted Roland and Cassandra at the incident location where they seized Madeline's cell phone. Cassandra told investigators she knows there "is not much there" referencing the cell phone and is seen smiling as police leave. Telephonic contact is made with Cassandra on 06/18/17 to ask if Madeline and William by chance had come back yet. Madeline and William had not.

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On 06/19/17 the missing person's investigator briefed detectives about the circumstances of this case. Immediately following the brief, the missing person's investigator contacted Cassandra by telephone and asked that the entire family respond to the Mesa Family Advocacy Center for interviews because Madeline and William had not returned and Roland and Cassandra had mentioned on 06/16/17 they thought Jake may have been involved but had not provided any further details of why they believed this. Cassandra stated she wanted to talk to her husband first and then would call investigators back. Several hours later an attorney sent a text message to the investigator stating he had been retained by the Jones family and they would not be granting in person interviews, and that all questions would need to be sent to him in writing.

Jake filed an emergency motion for full custody of William which was granted through the courts on 06/19/17.

Three separate letters were sent to the Jones' attorney (dated 06/20/17, 06/26/17 and 07/3/17) asking for individual interviews with each family member (declined) then requesting individual written statements from each family member, however, we received no response.

At this point in the investigation, the family had not provided adequate information as to the hours and days leading up to Madeline and William's disappearance. Through the investigation, we learned from [REDACTED] that Cassandra and her teenage daughter assisted in changing Madeline and Williams' appearance just before they disappeared and Cassandra told several people (but not the police) that there was physical evidence at their house that proved Madeline and William had been abducted. Based on this information, the police obtained and served a search warrant on Roland and Cassandra's residence and their vehicles, where Madeline and William disappeared from.

The search warrant was executed on the Jones' residence on 07/05/17. It should be noted that an hour after the search warrant was executed, the attorney sent detectives an email containing a single short paragraph each from Roland, Cassandra and the oldest juvenile sister of Madeline. The written statements were extremely vague and of no value to the investigation into the disappearance of Madeline and William, other than Cassandra wrote she provided Madeline with \$2500.00 cash which Madeline put in her pocket right before she went missing.

While searching the residence, Cassandra talked to detectives who were standing by with her (when reminded she had retained an attorney, she waived her rights and continued to voluntarily talk). Cassandra stated the last time she saw Madeline was when she was leaving to see a new attorney. Cassandra stated nothing points to Madeline leaving on her own except she had \$2500 cash in her pocket when she left to give to the new attorney. Cassandra said she believes Jake was not involved, but his family is. Cassandra stated she believes Madeline and William are in Montana (Jake's family's property) and also stated she had contacted several private investigators but had not retained/paid any of them yet. Despite not hiring a private investigator, Cassandra said she had given an unknown private investigator several cigarette butts the family found near a wall on the property which was missing several blocks from the top portion. Cassandra believes the missing blocks and the cigarette butts are evidence of the people who abducted Madeline and William and drug them over the wall, away from their property. Cassandra does not know how to re-contact the private investigator she gave the cigarette butts to. Cassandra mentioned the well-known abduction case of Elizabeth Smart. Cassandra stated she had even received a phone call from Elizabeth Smart's

mother recently. It should be noted one cigarette butt was located during the execution of the search warrant and it was immediately requested for processing. Results are pending.

Cassandra called the Mesa PD Chief's Office on 07/06/17 and indicated she wanted particular electronic items back immediately (her cell phone and juvenile child's laptop). Cassandra was advised the electronic items could be released as soon as they had been processed and if nothing of evidentiary value was found. Nothing was found on the laptop; however, the ipeccac search was found on Cassandra's phone and the phone was kept as evidence. On Madeline's laptop a search was found for "Fleeing an Abuser with your Child." The browsing history was blank from 06/15/17. It is believed her browsing history was deleted from that date. Electronics collected during the search warrant were found to have a TOR (The Onion Router) application downloaded. This application is specifically designed to hide where the user is accessing the internet.

On 06/07/17, Roland and Cassandra retained a new attorney and police were notified via email.

Because Madeline's family has not been in communication with police, it was necessary to obtain several search warrants for phones, social media accounts and surveillance records. Detectives have spoken to numerous family, friends and neighbors of Roland and Cassandra for any possible leads to follow up with. Everyone spoken to were surprised to hear Roland and Cassandra had not had an in-depth interview with police regarding Madeline and William going missing. Ultimately, nobody has had any information regarding the whereabouts of Madeline and William. Cassandra has told many of them they are in need of money to pay for private investigators, although no private investigator has been hired. A friend of the Jones family set up a "You Care" account to assist in collecting online donations to pay for private investigators (we have not been able to verify if they have in fact hired a private investigator). Other means of donations to the Jones family have been set up as well.

It should be noted Jake and Madeline were married on 08/15/15, William was born on 09/22/16, the divorce was finalized on 06/09/17 and the OOP expired on 06/25/17.

Based on the facts Roland initially called police to report Madeline and William missing knowing police would make a response and conduct an investigation, continued to mislead police when patrol arrived to obtain details all the while knowing that Jake had been ordered 50/50 custody of William, I find probable cause to charge Roland Alexander Jones (03/14/73) with one count each violation: ARS 13-1302.A3, Custodial Interference, a class six felony, ARS 13-2907.A1, False Reporting, a class one misdemeanor and ARS 13-2907.01.A, False Reporting, a class one misdemeanor.

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C. OTHER INFORMATION

1. Defendant is presently on probation, parole, or any other form of release involving other charges or convictions.
Explain: NA
2. List any prior:
Arrests? NA
Convictions? _____
Failures to Appear (FTA)? _____
Protective Orders? NA
3. Is there any indication the defendant is:
 An Alcoholic? An Addict?
 Mentally Disturbed? Physically Ill?
4. Defendant is currently employed
With Whom AVNET
How long: unk
5. Where does the defendant currently reside?
[REDACTED]
With Whom: family
How Long: 3 years _____ months _____ days
6. What facts indicate the defendant will flee if released? Explain: false reporting of daughter/grandson missing in violation of court order to keep biological father away from grandson
7. What facts does the State have to oppose an unsecured release? Explain: alse reporting of daughter/grandson missing in violation of court order to keep biological father away from grandson

D. CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE OFFENSE

(Check if applicable)

1. Firearm or other weapon was used
Type: _____
 Someone was injured by the defendant
 Medical attention was necessary
Nature of injuries: _____
2. Someone was threatened by the defendant
Nature of threats: _____
3. If property offense value of property taken/damaged:
 Property was recovered
4. Names of co-defendant(s), if any: Cassandra Pearl Yusko-Jones (01/18/71) and Madeline Frieda Jones (11/18/97)

E. CRIME(S) AGAINST PERSONS

1. Relationship of defendant to victim: grandfather and former father-in-law
 Victim(s) and defendant reside together.
2. How was the situation brought to the attention of the police?
 Victim Third Party Officer observed
3. There are previous incidents involving these same parties
Explain: yes, false reporting
4. Is Defendant currently the subject of:
 An Order of Protection Any other court order
 Injunction against Harassment
Explain: NA

F. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DEFENDANT ISSUES

Defendant's actions:

- Threats of homicide/suicide/bodily harm
- Control/ownership/jealousy issue Crime occurs in public
- Prior history of Domestic Violence Kidnapping
- Frequency/intensity of DV increasing Depression
- Access to or use of weapon Stalking behavior
- Violence against children, vulnerable adults or animals
- Multiple violations of court orders

