

THE STATE OF TEXAS)
) AFFIDAVIT FOR ARREST WARRANT OR CAPIAS
 COUNTY OF DALLAS)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared the undersigned affiant who, after being duly sworn by me, on the oath stated:

My name is Barry Dyson, and I am a Certified Peace Officer of the Dallas County Criminal District Attorney's Office, Dallas County, Texas.

I have good reason to believe and do believe that on or about the 31st day of December, 2008, one LYNN FLINT SHAW B/F 08/31/1954 (name or description of suspect) did then and there in the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas commit the offense of Tampering with Governmental Record, a violation of Section 37.10 (a)(2), Texas Penal Code, a Class A Misdemeanor.

The affiant, Barry Dyson, is employed as an Investigator with the Dallas County Criminal District Attorney's Office. The affiant has held said employment for 17 years and is the Sr. Investigator of the Check / Identity Theft Division of the District Attorney's Office. The affiant is a certified Peace Officer in the State of Texas and currently holds a Masters Certificate with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education. The affiant has received numerous hours of training and participated in numerous check, identity theft and counterfeit document investigations.

It is the affiant's belief that Lynn Flint Shaw on or about December 31, 2007 committed the criminal offense of Tampering with Governmental Record, violating 37.10 (a) (2) of the Texas Penal Code. A person commits this offense if he or she makes, presents, or uses any record, document, or thing with knowledge of its falsity and with intent that it be taken as a genuine governmental record.

Affiant's belief is based on the following:

On January 03, 2008 Tiffany Cheatham contacted by telephone the Dallas County Criminal District Attorney's Office. Tiffany Cheatham wanted to give the District Attorney's Office her contact information regarding an investigation of a stolen check. Tiffany Cheatham advised her case number was [REDACTED] Tiffany Cheatham expressed a concern that her identity had been compromised and feared someone was committing criminal acts that could impact her. Tiffany Cheatham was advised that the case number could not be located and needed to furnish additional information. Tiffany Cheatham stated that the case number was listed on a letter that was sent to Lynn Flint Shaw by Dallas County District Attorney Craig Watkins regarding a check that was stolen in the mail and was being investigated by the District Attorney's Office. Tiffany Cheatham produced the document to the District Attorney's Office on 01/03/08 at 04:59pm. Upon receiving the document from Tiffany Cheatham, it was determined that the document was counterfeit.

Upon examining the document in question, the affiant observed the document to contain a Seal and signature of District Attorney Craig Watkins. The document was prepared in letter form and would lead a reasonable and prudent person to believe that the document was genuine and related to an ongoing criminal investigation being conducted by the District Attorney or member of his staff. The affiant determined the document to be counterfeit because the seal was crooked and the signature was not the normal signature of District Attorney Watkins. The affiant has seen District Attorney Watkins' signature on several occasions and readily recognized the signature on the document in question to be a forgery. The affiant confirmed the document was a counterfeit forged document by interviewing District Attorney Craig Watkins. District Attorney Watkins advised the affiant that he did not recognize, prepare or sign the document in question.

On January 04, 2008 the affiant contacted Tiffany Cheatham. Cheatham advised that she had been friends with Shaw and she had loaned Shaw \$7500.00 in 2004. Shaw did not repay the loan as agreed, but instead made constant excuses and unfulfilled promises to repay. In December 2007, Cheatham requested repayment of the \$7500.00 loan. Cheatham told Shaw that she needed the money to pay her property taxes. Cheatham received a



TRUE AND CORRECT
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COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

letter from Shaw dated 12-11-07 advising Cheatham "I will be sending you a check – it will not be for the full amount but should have the rest shortly after the first of the year." "I usually receive an insurance check on the 15th which is Monday, I will write you a check. It should be for \$3500- at least." The letter was signed "Love you guys, Lynn." The return address was Lynn Shaw 6616 Braddock Pl Dallas, Texas 75232. Cheatham advised the affiant that she recognized the return address to be Shaw's home address. Cheatham stated to the affiant that she received an envelope post marked 21 Dec 2007 from Lynn M. Flint Shaw, M.C.D.I.C.C.C. 6500 Greenville Avenue Suite 330 Dallas, Texas 75206. Cheatham advised the affiant she observed the envelope was partially open and empty. Cheatham immediately tried to contact Shaw. Cheatham left Shaw a voice mail and a text message that she had received the envelope and it was empty. The affiant has knowledge that a text message is an electronic typed message that can be sent and received on an electronic device such as a cell phone. Cheatham instructed Shaw to contact her bank immediately and put a stop payment on the check. Shaw told her (Cheatham) that the check had been cashed at a Bank of America and that an ID was used with Cheatham's name on it to cash the check. Cheatham informed Shaw that she (Cheatham) needed to make a police report because she (Cheatham) was concerned that someone was using her ID and if they got pulled over she (Cheatham) could get in trouble. Shaw advised her (Cheatham) that she (Shaw) would ask the District Attorney's Office what she (Cheatham) should do. Shaw told her that she (Shaw) had filed a case with the DA, the United States Post Office and U.S. Congresswoman, Eddie Bernice Johnson's Office. Cheatham requested from Shaw a copy of the cancelled check. Shaw told her (Cheatham) that the DA's Office had the check and would send it to her (Cheatham) when they were finished with it. Shaw asked for her (Cheatham's) fax number to send her (Cheatham) a letter from the DA's Office. Cheatham received the faxed document in question from Shaw on December 31, 2007 at 12:56pm. The affiant obtained the faxed document from Cheatham. The affiant observed the following fax transmittal information on the top of the document: Dec 31 07 12:56 pm Lynn Flint Shaw 214- [REDACTED]. The affiant confirmed the listed number 214-[REDACTED] is the business fax number for Lynn Flint Shaw and is located at 6500 Greenville Avenue Suite 330 Dallas, Texas. The affiant also observed the document to be the same document that was faxed from Cheatham to the District Attorney's Office on January 03, 2008. Cheatham advised the affiant that she (Cheatham) was in fear that someone could be using her identity so she called the number listed on the bottom of the document that she received from Shaw and requested to speak to someone regarding the investigation. Cheatham later learned the document was counterfeit.

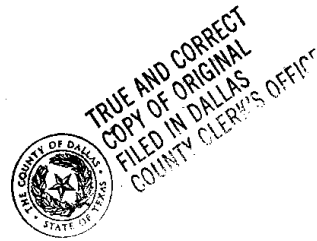
The affiant compared the document that Cheatham states she (Cheatham) received from Shaw to the document that Cheatham faxed on January 03, 2008 and believe them to be the same. The affiant viewed and obtained copies of numerous text messages sent between Cheatham and Shaw.

The affiant corroborated the information received from Cheatham regarding the text messages between her (Cheatham) and Shaw by comparing the text messages on Cheatham's phone and records obtained from AT&T. The affiant observed one of numerous text messages sent from Lynn Flint Shaw's cell phone, 214-[REDACTED] to Cheatham's cell phone. The text message was sent on 12-31-07 at 7:58 am and stated "Please send me your fax number have a letter from DA I want you to have." The affiant also observed a text message sent from Lynn Flint Shaw's cell phone, 214-[REDACTED] to Cheatham's cell phone. The text message was sent on 12-31-07 at 10:34 am and stated "It is a letter from DA telling me they are working on the case They also reference what they are doing on the investigation."

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The affiant learned that Ms. Shaw's office is a secured building whereby entrance is permitted via an access card. Affiant obtained business records confirming an access card issued to Lynn Flint Shaw was used at the south entrance gate of 6500 Greenville Avenue on 12/31/07 at 7:07:43am. It is also the date that the forged document was faxed from Ms. Shaw's office to Ms. Cheatham.

It is the affiant's belief that on or about December 31, 2007 Lynn Flint Shaw knowingly manufactured, presented and used a document bearing the seal and signature of the Dallas County Criminal District Attorney Craig Watkins with knowledge of its falsity and with intent that it be taken as a genuine governmental record. The affiant's belief is based on the counterfeit document, text messages and conversations between Lynn Flint Shaw and Tiffany Cheatham, phone records and fax location and transmittal information, and entrance to the secured office building on the date that the forged, counterfeit document was faxed to Ms. Cheatham.



WHEREFORE, Affiant requests that an arrest warrant or capias be issued for the above accused individual (s) in accordance with the law.

Danny Hlyson
AFFIANT

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME on the 12th day of February 2008

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MAGISTRATE, IN AND FOR DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

MAGISTRATE'S DETERMINATION OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On this the 12th day of February, 2008, the undersigned Magistrate hereby acknowledges that he has examined the above affidavit and has determined that probable cause exist for the issuance of a capias for the individual (s) accused therein and hereby orders the Clerk of the Court of proper jurisdiction to issue a capias for the arrest of said individual (s).

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MAGISTRATE, IN AND FOR DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS