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SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

2. CASE NO. 14-190439

PRIORITY: ☒ Yes

☐ No

3. ☐ INITIAL NON-CRIMINAL

4. ☒ INITIAL-CRIMINAL

5. ☐ FOLLOW-UP CRIMINAL

6. ☐ CONTINUATION REPORT NO.
FOLLOW-UP REPORT

SANDRA HUTCHENS, SHERIFF-CORONER

7. OFFENSE A.O.A. Garden Grove Police Department		8. LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE 12091 Trask Avenue, Garden Grove	
9. VICTIM/INFORMANT State of California / Investigator B. Darnell #5468		10. DATE AND TIME OF OCCURRENCE 10-2-14 / About 2130 hours	11. GRID ASSIST

12. DETAILS OF OFFENSE:

Assist Outside Agency Garden Grove Police Department Case Cleared Exceptional Clearance

Suspect:

✓ Raji Dhaliwal () Male, Indian, 6'0", 200, Black, Brown, CDL# ()
LKA: () Lancaster, 93534

Offenses:

H&S 11378 – Possession of Methamphetamine for Sales

H&S 11364.1(a) – Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

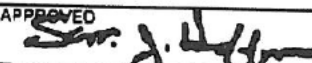
CPC 148(a)(1) – Resisting Arrest

CPC 135 – Destruction of Evidence

CPC 466 – Possession of Burglary Tools

Law Enforcement Personnel:

Investigator B. Darnell #5468	550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, 92702 / 714-647-7000
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Investigator P. Kinney #6120	550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, 92702 / 714-647-7000
Investigator ()	550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, 92702 / 714-647-7000
Investigator B. Fowler #2288	550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, 92702 / 714-647-7000
Investigator L. Zurborg #876	550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, 92702 / 714-647-7000
Deputy D. Merz #3350	550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, 92702 / 714-647-7000
Deputy J. Pawlikowski #4597	550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, 92702 / 714-647-7000
Sergeant ()	550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, 92702 / 714-647-7000

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Evidence:

ITEM #	ITEM DESCRIPTION
	From 12091 Trask Ave, Room 201, Garden Grove (Motel 6)
	From Room 201:
01 (PK)	.56 grams of methamphetamine (removed from small clear plastic storage container) [Tested positive for methamphetamine via NIK test kit #U, blue color positive, by Inv. De La Rosa] (found on top of shelf below TV along north wall)
02 (PK)	1, plastic tupperware container with white crystalline residue (used to store item #1) (found on top of shelf below TV along north wall)
03 (PK)	1, digital scale, working, "Triton T2", gram/ounce weight, with methamphetamine residue on weighing plate (found on top of shelf below TV along north wall)
04 (RD)	1, open box of tall kitchen plastic trash bags (which were used as drug packaging) (found inside of bookshelf along north wall)
05 (PK)	1, O'Reilly Auto Parts receipt with printed name "Raji" (found on top of shelf below TV along north wall) 1, photo copy of California driver's license # [REDACTED] with name "Raji Dhaliwal" and DOB "[REDACTED]" (found inside of yellow and black Polo Sport backpack along east wall)
	From Rental Office at Motel 6:
06 (RD)	1, Motel 6 printed motel registration for room 201 for "Dhaliwal, Raji" with address "[REDACTED]" Lancaster, CA 93534" (from Motel 6 rental office)
	From person of Raji Dhaliwal:
07 (PK)	1, clear plastic bag, knotted at top, with 10.1 grams of methamphetamine 1, white opaque plastic bag, knotted at top, with 7.5 grams of methamphetamine [Tested positive for methamphetamine via NIK test kit #U, blue color positive, by Inv. De La Rosa] (from right front pants pocket)
08 (PK)	1, glass smoking pipe, 4 inches long with bulb on end, with methamphetamine residue (from right front pants pocket)
09 (PK)	1, white opaque plastic bag, knotted at top, with 6.9 grams of methamphetamine [Tested positive for methamphetamine via NIK test kit #U, blue color positive, by Inv. De La Rosa] (thrown from hand of Raji Dhaliwal onto the ground below his feet)
	From blue 2001 Honda Accord (CA 4TSV977):
10 (DB)	1, metal lock pick set in a clear plastic case 1, metal lock pick set in a black plastic case (from center console of Honda)
11 (DB)	1, LG cell phone, with blue case (from ground next to front driver's side tire of blue 2001 Honda Accord (CA 4TSV977))
	US Currency seized per Asset Forfeiture:
	\$753.00 from men's black wallet inside of center console of Blue Honda Accord (4TSV977)
	\$611.00 from right front pants pocket of person of Raji Dhaliwal

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Narrative:


On Thursday, October 2, 2014, members of the Orange County Sheriff's Narcotic Detail served a search warrant listing: 12091 Trask Avenue, Room 201, City of Garden Grove, County of Orange, State of California, the subject identified as Raji Dhaliwal (██████), and a blue 2001 Honda Accord, bearing California license plate number 4TSV977. The search warrant was signed by the Honorable Nancy E. Zeltzer, Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, Central Justice Center, Department 52, on October 1, 2014 at 2:57 pm.

At approximately 2030 hours, members of the Narcotics Detail went to the Motel 6, located at 12091 Trask Avenue in the City of Garden Grove to conduct surveillance of the motel in preparation for service of the search warrant. Upon our arrival, the blue Honda Accord listed in the search warrant was not present.

At approximately 2130 hours, during continued surveillance, the blue Honda Accord listed in the search warrant pulled into the parking lot of the Motel 6 and parked several spaces away from members of the Narcotics Detail. Dhaliwal then exited the driver's door of the vehicle at which time Investigators Kinney, De La Rosa, Deputy Merz and I exited our vehicles to contact him. Investigators Kinney, De La Rosa and I were wearing green tactical vests that were clearly marked "Sheriff" in bold gold letters on the front and back and Deputy Merz was wearing a black shirt that was clearly marked "Sheriff" in bold gold letters. Investigator Kinney approached Dhaliwal and announced, "Sheriff's Department, search warrant, put your hands up." Dhaliwal looked directly at Investigator Kinney then turned and ran away. Investigators Kinney, De La Rosa, Deputy Merz and I pursued Dhaliwal on foot while giving him numerous commands to stop running. Dhaliwal ignored our commands and continued running through the parking lot then onto a grassy area adjacent to the parking lot. As we were pursuing Dhaliwal, I saw him reach into his right front pants pocket and throw a plastic bag containing 6.9 grams of methamphetamine. Deputy Merz caught up to Dhaliwal several moments later and tackled him to the ground. Once on the ground, Dhaliwal put his hands in the area of his waistband out of our view. Deputy Merz laid on top of Dhaliwal to control his upper torso while Investigator Kinney controlled Dhaliwal's legs by holding them to the ground. Investigator De La Rosa and I attempted to remove Dhaliwal's arms from underneath him while giving him numerous commands to stop resisting. Dhaliwal continued to ignore our commands as he actively resisted our efforts to place his hands behind his back. After approximately 30 seconds of struggling with Dhaliwal, Investigator De La Rosa and I were able to gain control of his arms and place them behind his back for handcuffing.

Once handcuffed, Investigator Kinney conducted a search of Dhaliwal's person and located the following items in the right front pocket of his pants: (1) Clear plastic bag, knotted at the top, with 10.1 grams of methamphetamine, (1) white opaque plastic bag, knotted at the top, with 7.5 grams of methamphetamine, (1) glass smoking pipe containing methamphetamine residue, a Motel 6 room key card, and \$611.00 in United States currency.

Deputies Merz and Pawlikowski remained with Dhaliwal while the remaining members of the Narcotics Detail went to room 201 to serve the remainder of the search warrant.

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At approximately 2140 hours, we approached the front door of room 201. I knocked on the door three separate times while announcing loudly each time, "Sheriff's Department, search warrant, demand entry." After waiting a reasonable amount of time and receiving no answer, I used the Motel 6 key card found on Dhaliwal's person to unlock the front door. We made entry into room 201 and did not find anyone inside.

Search of 12091 Trask Avenue, Room 201, Garden Grove

During a search of the shelf below the television along the north wall, Investigator Kinney found the following items: (1) Plastic tupperware container containing .56 grams of methamphetamine, (1) digital scale with methamphetamine residue on weighing plate, and (1) O'Reilly Auto Parts receipt with printed name "Raji."

During a search of a Polo Sport backpack along the east wall, Investigator Kinney found the following item: (1) Photo copy of California driver's license [REDACTED] with name "Raji Dhaliwal" and DOB "[REDACTED]"

During a search of the bookshelf along the north wall, Investigator De La Rosa found the following item: (1) Open box of tall kitchen plastic trash bags. The trash bags were the same white opaque plastic material that was used to package the 6.9 grams of methamphetamine that Dhaliwal discarded and 7.5 grams of methamphetamine found on his person.

In my presence, Investigator De La Rosa tested the suspected methamphetamine found inside the tupperware container and three plastic bags using a "NIK-U" test kit. The substance tested positive for methamphetamine by turning blue.

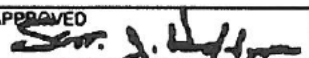
Search of Dhaliwal's 2001 Honda Accord (Ca. 4TSV977)

During a search of Dhaliwal's Honda Accord, Investigator [REDACTED] found the following items in the center console: (1) Metal lock pick set in a clear plastic case, (1) metal lock pick set in a black plastic case, and a men's wallet containing Dhaliwal's California driver's license and \$753.00 in United States currency.

On the ground next to the driver's side front tire, Investigator [REDACTED] found the following item: (1) LG cell phone with a blue case.

From the Motel 6 Rental Office

Investigator De La Rosa went to the rental office of the Motel 6 and asked who was renting room 201. Front Desk Clerk [REDACTED] confirmed Raji Dhaliwal was currently renting room 201 and provided Investigator De La Rosa with the following item: (1) Motel 6 printed motel registration for room 201 for "Dhaliwal, Raji" with address [REDACTED] Lancaster, CA 93534."

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Summary of Interview with Raji Dhaliwal

I spoke to Dhaliwal in the parking lot of the motel and read him the Miranda advisement from my department issued Miranda card. Dhaliwal answered "Yes" to each advisement and refused to speak with me about the incident. I ended my interview with Dhaliwal.


Conclusion and Recommendations

I believe Dhaliwal was in possession of methamphetamine with the intent to sell. I base my opinion on the 6.9 grams of methamphetamine Dhaliwal discarded while running, the 17.6 grams of methamphetamine in two separate packages and \$611.00 in United States currency found on his person, the .56 grams of methamphetamine, digital scale and packaging found in his motel room, and the \$753.00 in United States currency found inside his vehicle.

I also believe Dhaliwal attempted to destroy evidence and was in possession of drug paraphernalia and burglary tools. I base my opinion on the 6.9 grams of methamphetamine Dhaliwal threw while running from members of the Narcotics Detail, the glass smoking pipe containing methamphetamine residue found on his person, and the two lock pick sets found in the center console of his vehicle.

Dhaliwal was placed under arrest and transported to Western Medical Center Anaheim for complaint of pain to his left elbow. He was subsequently treated for a fractured left elbow then transported to the Orange County Jail where he was booked without incident.

The above listed evidence was booked into the Orange County Sheriff's evidence room in the City of Santa Ana. The \$611.00 in United States currency found on Dhaliwal's person and the \$753.00 in United States currency found in Dhaliwal's vehicle was seized per asset forfeiture guidelines.

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