STATE OF MICHIGAN 46th JUDICIAL DISTRICT 6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

COMPLAINT FELONY

DISTRICT: 19 M 894 FY CIRCUIT:

CTN: 96-19901328-01

MSP #:

District Court ORI: MI630045J

Circuit Court ORI: MI630015J

AG ORI: M1820025A

THE PEOPLE OF TH	Victim or complainant: STATE OF MICHIGAN		
SHERIKIA LAVETTE	HAWKINS	Complaining Witness D/SGT, LARISSA LAMAY	
Co-defendant(s)		Date: On or about 11/15/2018	
City/Twp./Village City of Southfield	County in Michigan Oakland	Defendant SID	Defendant DOB
Charge(s) See Below			Maximum Penalty See Below

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND

The complaining witness says that on or about 11/15/18 and in the City Southfield, MI, the defendant, contrary to law,

COUNT 1: ELECTION LAW - FALSIFYING RETURNS/RECORDS

being a clerk, did fraudulently make an entry, erasure, or alteration to, in whole or in part, a record, to-wit: qualified voter file, or an election list of voters, or certificates, or a poll book, which are required to be made, filed, or preserved by the Michigan election law; contrary to MCL 168.932(c). [168.932C]

FELONY: 5 Years and/or \$1,000.00 (see MCL 168.935)

COUNT 2: FORGERY OF A PUBLIC RECORD

Being a clerk of a court or other public officer, to wit: The Clerk of the City of Southfield, did falsely make, alter, forge or counterfeit a public record, or a certificate, return or attestation, to wit: the Qualified Voter File, in relation to a matter in which the certificate, return or attestation may be received as legal proof, with the intent to injure or defraud another person; contrary to MCL 750.248. [750.248]

FELONY: 14 Years

COUNT 3: COMMON LAW OFFENSE - MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE

being a public officer, to wit: Clerk of the City of Southfield, committed an act of malfeasance with a corrupt intent, resulting from the performance of her official duties; contrary to MCL 750.505 [750.505]

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COUNT 4: COMPUTERS - USING TO COMMIT A CRIME - MAXIMUM IMPRISONMENT OF 4 YEARS OR MORE BUT LESS THAN 10 YEARS

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FELONY: 7 Years and/or \$5,000.00; reimburse government for expenses incurred in relation to violation in manner indicated by MCL 769.1f (see MCL 752.797(7)). A consecutive sentence may be imposed for the underlying conviction.

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did use a computer program, computer, computer system, or computer network to commit, attempt to commit, conspire to commit, or solicit another to commit FORGERY OF A PUBLIC RECORD MCL 750.248; contrary to MCL 752.796, and MCL 752.797(3)(e). [752.7973E]

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Court shall order law enforcement to collect a DNA identification profiling sample before sentencing or disposition, if not taken at arrest.

The complaining witness asks that defendant be apprehended and dealt with according to law.

Warrant authorized on 7-23-/C by:

Date

Richard Cunningham (P29735)

Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division MI Dept of Attorney General

3030 W. Grand Blvd. Ste. 10-200

Detroit, MI 48202

☐ Security for costs posted

Subscribed and sworn to before me on

Complaining witness sign

Judge/Magistrate/Clerk-

Bar no.

STATE OF MICHIGAN DISTRICT: 46th JUDICIAL DISTRICT CIRCUIT: WARRANT **6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT** CTN: 96-19901328-01 FELONY MSP #: District Court ORI: MI630045J Circuit Court ORI: MI630015J AG ORI: MI820025A Victim or complainant: STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN v SHERIKIA LAVETTE HAWKINS Complaining Witness D/SGT, LARISSA LAMAY Height: Weight: Hair Color: Eye Color: Race: Sex: Date: On or about UKN F 11/15/2018 UKN UKN UKN UKN Defendant DOB City/Twp./Village County in Michigan Defendant SID City of Southfield OAKLAND

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND

To any peace officer or court officer authorized to make arrest: The complaining witness has filed a sworn complaint in this court stating:

Maximum Penalty

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Court shall order law enforcement to collect a DNA identification profiling sample before sentencing or disposition, if not taken at arrest.

Upon examination of the complaining witness, I find that the offense(s) charged has/have been committed and that there is probable cause to believe that defendant committed the offense(s). THEREFORE, IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, I order you to arrest and bring defendant before the 46th District Court immediately.

The defendant may be rele	ased before	arraignment if \$	is posted as interim bail
by Date		1 5 6	١
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46th Judicial District

AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE IN SUPPORT OF COMPLAINT

46th District Case No:

THE COMPLAINING WITNESS, ON PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION AND BELIEF, OR BOTH, STATES:

- 1. The Affiant, D/Sgt. Larissa LaMay, is a sworn 20-year veteran law enforcement officer of the Michigan State Police currently assigned as a detective to the Michigan State Police 2nd District, Metro North Post.
- 2. The Affiant has conducted major case investigations including homicides, misconduct of public officials, use of force by law enforcement and racketeering.
- 3. The Affiant became the lead investigator of a complaint of Election Fraud in March 2019 involving Southfield City Clerk Sherikia Hawkins. The initial investigator was F/LT. Robert Weimer of the Michigan State Police who began the investigation on March 14, 2019. Affiant met with F/Lt. Weimer and was briefed by him.
- 4. MCL 168.935, MCL 168.932 are Michigan statutes which provides that it is a 5-year felony to commit Election Fraud by a clerk falsifying, fraudulently removing, erasing, or altering election records or an election list of voters.
- 5. MCL 750.248 is a Michigan statute which provides that it is a 14-year felony forge as true a public record, deed, instrument or other writing in section with the intent to defraud or injure is guilty of a felony...."
- 6. MCL 750.505 codifies the common law Misconduct in Office which is 5-year felony for an office holder to use her office to commit an act which is itself wrongful, malfeasance, or to commit a lawful act in a wrongful manner, misfeasance, with corrupt intent.
- 7. MCL 752.797 codifies the crime of using a computer to commit a crime and makes it a 7-year felony to commit a 5-year felony with a computer (Election Fraud/Misconduct in Office). It further makes it a 10-year felony to use a computer to commit a 14-year felony (Forgery).
- 8. Sherika Hawkins is a current city clerk for the City of Southfield. Clerk Hawkins was elected on November 7, 2017.
- 9. Clerk Hawkins was responsible for conducting elections for the City of Southfield.
- 10. On November 6, 2018, an election occurred in the State of Michigan for which Clerk Hawkins was responsible to conduct same in the City of Southfield.

- 11. Affiant obtained Clerk Hawkins' signed agreement with the Michigan Secretary of State to have access to the Qualified Voter File (QVF) which was executed on February 7, 2018.
- 12. When an absentee ballot arrives into a clerk's office it is logged into the Qualified Voter File (essentially on online poll book). The clerk checks to make sure it is valid (i.e. signed, signature matches, etc.).
- 13. The ballots are then counted on election day by running them through the tabulator. The number of ballots counted (run through the tabulator) needs to be equal to the number of ballots logged into the Qualified Voter File (poll book).
- 14. If they do not match, a clerk may need to re-run all the ballots for the entire precinct, through the machine. If those numbers still do not match, the city clerk would submit the paperwork to the county clerk. The county clerk's office along with the board of canvassers will conduct a canvass of that precinct to determine why it is out of balance.
- 15. Affiant was advised that on November 9, 2019, Oakland County Election Director, Joseph Rozell, contacted Clerk Hawkins attempted to start certifying Southfield's absentee precincts, and contacted Hawkin's when he noticed that ballot summary sheets were blank.
- 16. Rozell stated to Affiant that Hawkins told him her copy was completed. Rozell did not understand how that could be since the form is completed in triplicate. He told her to bring her copy to him (in Pontiac) so it could be copied and included in the poll book.
- 17. Affiant was advised by Rozell that Hawkins called him back later in the day and stated she reviewed her reports from election night and eight of her absentee precincts were showing as zeros.
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- 19. Hawkins brought the ballot containers for the eight precincts that required retabulation. The precincts were re-tabulated on November 13th and 14th 2018.
- 20. Hawkins delivered the ballot summary sheets on November 15, 2019 along with a new list of voters for each absentee precinct from the QVF. Those revised reports had not been requested by Oakland County Election Director.
- 21. Affiant was further advised by Rozell that it appeared from the report that the ballot return dates for voters were added or removed from the report in order to force the reports to balance to the number of ballots tabulated for each precinct on election night.
- 22. It appears that Hawkins had switched out her original reports with the altered reports.

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- 24. Rozell shared this information with the Board of County Canvassers. The Vice-Chair, Wilma Cotton, contacted Hawkins and requested all her absentee ballot containers and envelopes.
- 25.On November 17, 2018, Hawkins delivered all but two of the requested ballot containers and envelopes for the voters who returned absentee ballots.
- 26. On November 18, 2018, Nicole Galloway, Southfield Deputy Clerk, delivered the remaining two ballot containers.
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