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Re: Annual Report on Interceptions of Communications

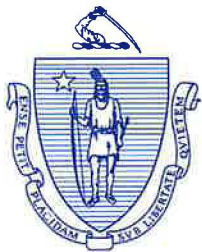
Dear Sirs:

Enclosed please find the Annual Reports on Interceptions of Communications for Calendar Year 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2024 from the Berkshire District Attorney's Office.

Please feel free to reach out to me at joseph.a.pieropan@mass.gov should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Re: Annual Report on Interceptions of Communications for Calendar Year 2020

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99R, I hereby submit this report to the General Court on behalf of the Berkshire District Attorney's Office for the 2020 calendar year.

1. Number of Applications for Warrants

The total number of applications made to justices of the Superior Court for warrants pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99, authorizing the interception of oral, wire, data and electronic communications during the 2020 calendar year was: **5**

2. Name of Applicant

All applications were submitted under the name of District Attorney Andrea Harrington, as well as through her designated Assistant District Attorneys.

3. Number of Warrants Issued

The total number of warrants issued pursuant to these applications during the 2020 calendar year was: **5**

4. Effective Period for Warrants

The effective period for the warrants issued was from **September 15, 2020, to November 2, 2020.**

5. Number and Designation of Offenses

The warrants were sought to discover evidence of "possession or sale of a narcotic or harmful drug" as defined in G.L. c. 272, § 99(B)(7), including trafficking fentanyl and/or heroin in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 32E(c), trafficking cocaine and/or methamphetamine in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 32E(b), the distribution and/or possession with the intent to distribute such controlled substances in violation of G.L. c. 94C, §§ 32, 32A, and the conspiracy to violate the Controlled Substances Act in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 40.

6. Number of Renewals:

The total number of renewals for all warrants was: **3**

7. Number of Interceptions:

The total number of pertinent interceptions made during the 2020 calendar year was: **7,468**

8. Number of Indictments:

The total number of indictments believed to be obtained because of these interceptions was:


38 indictments were returned against 7 individual defendants

9. Number of Criminal Convictions:

To date, seven (7) defendants have pleaded guilty to seventeen (17) charges arising from the wiretap investigation described above, to charges including Conspiracy to Traffic Cocaine (over 200 grams), Trafficking Cocaine, Possession of Heroin/Fentanyl with Intent to Distribute, Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Distribute, and Illegal Possession of a Firearm. No defendant has yet elected to proceed to trial. The only case that remains pending in the Berkshire Superior Court is one where the defendant has plead guilty but is currently in warrant status after failing to appear on the scheduled day of execution of sentence.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,


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Re: Annual Report on Interceptions of Communications for Calendar Year 2021

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99R, I hereby submit this report to the General Court on behalf of the Berkshire District Attorney's Office for the 2021 calendar year.

1. Number of Applications for Warrants

The total number of applications made to justices of the Superior Court for warrants pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99, authorizing the interception of oral, wire, data and electronic communications during the 2021 calendar year was: **5**

2. Name of Applicant

All applications were submitted under the name of District Attorney Andrea Harrington, as well as through her designated Assistant District Attorneys.

3. Number of Warrants Issued

The total number of warrants issued pursuant to these applications during the 2021 calendar year was: **5**

4. Effective Period for Warrants

The effective period for the warrants issued was from **March 30, 2021**, to **June 19, 2021**.

5. Number and Designation of Offenses

The warrants were sought to discover evidence of “possession or sale of a narcotic or harmful drug” as defined in G.L. c. 272, § 99(B)(7), including trafficking fentanyl and/or heroin in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 32E(c), trafficking cocaine in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 32E(b), the distribution and/or possession with the intent to distribute such controlled substances in violation of G.L. c. 94C, §§ 32, 32A, and the conspiracy to violate the Controlled Substances Act in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 40.

6. Number of Renewals:

The total number of renewals for all warrants was: **5**

7. Number of Interceptions:

The total number of pertinent interceptions made during the 2021 calendar year was: **7,087**

8. Number of Indictments:

The total number of indictments believed to be obtained because of these interceptions was:


28 indictments were returned against 8 individual defendants

9. Number of Criminal Convictions:

To date, seven (7) defendants have pleaded guilty to twenty-four (24) charges arising from the wiretap investigation described above, to charges including, Trafficking Cocaine, Trafficking Heroin/Fentanyl, Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Distribute, Illegal Possession of Firearms, Illegal Possession of Ammunition, and Improper Storage of Firearms. Two indictments had to be nolle prossed when a defendant passed away. No defendant elected to proceed to trial. Zero cases remain pending as a result of the above interceptions.

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Re: Annual Report on Interceptions of Communications for Calendar Year 2022

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99R, I hereby submit this report to the General Court on behalf of the Berkshire District Attorney's Office for the 2022 calendar year.

1. Number of Applications for Warrants

The total number of applications made to justices of the Superior Court for warrants pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99, authorizing the interception of oral, wire, data and electronic communications during the 2022 calendar year was: **4**

2. Name of Applicant

All applications were submitted under the name of District Attorney Andrea Harrington, as well as through her designated Assistant District Attorneys.

3. Number of Warrants Issued

The total number of warrants issued pursuant to these applications during the 2022 calendar year was: **4**

4. Effective Period for Warrants

The effective period for the warrants issued was from **December 22, 2021, to February 16, 2022.**

5. Number and Designation of Offenses

The warrants were sought to discover evidence of “possession or sale of a narcotic or harmful drug” as defined in G.L. c. 272, § 99(B)(7), including trafficking fentanyl and/or heroin in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 32E(c), trafficking cocaine and/or methamphetamine and/or ecstasy in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 32E(b), the distribution and/or possession with the intent to distribute such controlled substances in violation of G.L. c. 94C, §§ 32, 32A, and the conspiracy to violate the Controlled Substances Act in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 40.

6. Number of Renewals:

The total number of renewals for all warrants was: **3**

7. Number of Interceptions:

The total number of pertinent interceptions made during the 2022 calendar year was: **4,618**

8. Number of Indictments:

The total number of indictments believed to be obtained because of these interceptions was:


27 indictments were returned against 5 individual defendants

9. Number of Criminal Convictions:

To date, all of the indictments against the five (5) defendants remain pending in the Berkshire Superior Court.

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Re: Annual Report on Interceptions of Communications for Calendar Year 2024

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99R, I hereby submit this report to the General Court on behalf of the Berkshire District Attorney's Office for the 2024 calendar year.

1. Number of Applications for Warrants

The total number of applications made to justices of the Superior Court for warrants pursuant to G.L. c. 272, § 99, authorizing the interception of oral, wire, data and electronic communications during the 2024 calendar year was: **12**

2. Name of Applicant

All applications were submitted under the name of District Attorney Timothy Shugrue, as well as through his designated Assistant District Attorneys.

3. Number of Warrants Issued

The total number of warrants issued pursuant to these applications during the 2024 calendar year was: **12**

4. Effective Period for Warrants

The effective period for the warrants issued was from **March 18, 2024**, to **May 23, 2024** and from **September 5, 2024**, to **October 4, 2024**.

5. Number and Designation of Offenses

The warrants were sought to discover evidence of “possession or sale of a narcotic or harmful drug” as defined in G.L. c. 272, § 99(B)(7), including trafficking fentanyl and/or heroin in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 32E(c), trafficking cocaine and/or methamphetamine in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 32E(b), the distribution and/or possession with the intent to distribute such controlled substances in violation of G.L. c. 94C, §§ 32, 32A, and the conspiracy to violate the Controlled Substances Act in violation of G.L. c. 94C, § 40.

6. Number of Renewals:

The total number of renewals for all warrants was: **8**

7. Number of Interceptions:

The total number of pertinent interceptions made during the 2024 calendar year was: **17,992**

8. Number of Indictments:

The total number of indictments believed to be obtained because of these interceptions was:

63 indictments were returned against 15 individual defendants

9. Number of Criminal Convictions:

To date, three (3) defendants have pleaded guilty to eleven (11) charges arising from the wiretap investigations described above, to charges including Conspiracy to Traffic Cocaine (over 200 grams), Trafficking Cocaine, Possession of Heroin/Fentanyl with Intent to Distribute, and Illegal Possession of a Firearm. No defendant has yet elected to proceed to trial. Cases against twelve (12) defendants remain pending in the Berkshire Superior Court.

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