

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
COUNTY OF: LACKAWANNA



POLICE CRIMINAL COMPLAINT
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
VS.

Magisterial District Number: 45-3-04

MDJ Hon. TURLIP, LAURA M

Address: ARCHBALD BORO BLDG, 400 CHURCH ST - 2ND
FLR
ARCHBALD, PA 18403

Telephone: (570) 876-0570

DEFENDANT: (NAME and ADDRESS)

COREY

JOHN

KOLCHARNO

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

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416 ACADEMY STREET,
PECKVILLE, PA 18452

NCIC Extradition Code Type

NCIC Extradition Code Type 1 - FELONY FULL

Distance

DEFENDANT IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION

Docket Number: CR 151-2022 Date Filed: 8-8-22 OTN/Live Scan Number: R3304560 Complaint Number: R10194P15D Incident Number: PA 2021-989614 Request Lab Services: NO

Gender: M Date of Birth: 08/12/1974 POB: PA - USA Add'l DOB: Co-Defendant?: NO

Defendant Also Known As: Defendant's First Name: Middle Name: Last Name: Suffix:

Race: WHITE - W Ethnicity: NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN - N

Hair Color: BROWN - BRO Eye Color: BROWN - BRO

DNA: NO DNA Location: Weight: 250 LBS

FBI Number: MNU Number: Height: 6' 03"

Defendant Fingerprinted: NO Fingerprint Classification:

DEFENDANT VEHICLE INFORMATION

Plate #: State: HazMat: Registration Sticker (MM/YY): Commercial Vehicle?: School Veh.: Oth. NCIC Veh. Code: Reg. same as Def. NO

VIN: Year: Make: Model: Style: Color:

Office of the Attorney of the Commonwealth ☒ Approved ☐ Disapproved because: VIA PHONE

(The attorney for the Commonwealth may require that the complaint, arrest warrant affidavit, or both be approved by the attorney for the Commonwealth prior to filing. Pa.R.Crim.P.507.)

ACDAG DANIEL DYE

(Name of Attorney for Commonwealth - Please Print or Type)

VIA PHONE

(Signature of Attorney for Commonwealth)

8/8/2022

(Date)

I, CPL DANIEL NILON / MTPR MICHAEL MULVEY

(Name of Affiant - Please Print or Type)

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(PSP/MPOETC - Assigned Affiant ID Number & Badge #)

of PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE, TROOP R. DUNMORE

(Identify Department or Agency Represented and Political Subdivision)

PAPSP1900

(Police Agency ORI Number)

do hereby state: (check appropriate box)

1. ☒ I accuse the above named defendant wholives at the address set forth above

☐ I accuse the defendant whose name is unknown to me but who is described as

☐ I accuse the defendant whose name and popular designation or nickname is unknown to me and whom I have therefore designated as John Doe or Jane Doe.

with violating the penal laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at: 402

(Subdivision Code)

VARIOUS LOCATIONS ACROSS LACKAWANNA COUNTY
INCLUDING 416 ACADEMY STREET, BLAKELY BORO
(Place-Political Subdivision)

in LACKAWANNA

County

35

(County Code)

on or about

8/8/2017 AT APPROX. 12:00 HRS - 8/8/2022 AT APPROX. 12:00 HRS
(Offense Date)



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The acts committed by the accused are described below with each Act of Assembly or statute allegedly violated, if appropriate. When there is more than one offense, each offense should be numbered chronologically

(Set forth a brief summary of the facts sufficient to advise the defendant of the nature of the offense(s) charged. A citation to the statute(s) allegedly violated, without more, is not sufficient. In a summary case, you must cite the specific section(s) and subsection(s) of the statute(s) or ordinance(s) allegedly violated.

Inchoate Offense	<input type="checkbox"/> Attempt 18 901 A	<input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation 18 902 A	<input type="checkbox"/> Conspiracy 18 903	Number of Victims Age 60 or Older 0				
Lead? YES	Offense # 1	Section 5902	Subsection B3	PA Statute (Title) 18	Count 4	Grade F3	NCIC Offense Code 4008	UCR/NIBRS 40B
PennDOT DATA (if applicable)		Accident Number		Interstate Indicator NO	Safety Zone NO		Work Zone NO	

Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):
PROM PROS-ENCOURAGE PROSTITUTION

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:

IN THAT, on or about said date, THE DEFENDANT did promote prostitution by encouraging, inducing, or otherwise intentionally causing another to become or remain a prostitute.



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2. I ask that a warrant of arrest or a summons be issued and that the defendant be required to answer the charges I have made.
3. I verify that the facts set forth in this complaint are true and correct to the best of my knowledge or information and belief. This verification is made subject to the penalties of Section 4904 of the Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S. §4904) relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.
4. This complaint consists of the preceding page(s) numbered 1 through 3
5. I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the *Case Records Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania* that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non-confidential information and documents.

The acts committed by the accused, as listed and hereafter, were against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and were contrary to the Act(s) of the Assembly, or in violation of the statute cited.

(Before a warrant of arrest can be issued, an affidavit of probable cause must be completed, sworn to before the issuing authority, and attached.)

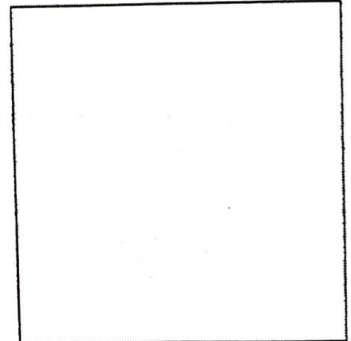
8/8/2022
(Date)

Cpt. [Signature] 10637/ATPA. [Signature]
(Signature of Affiant)

AND NOW, on this date, 8/8/22 I certify that the complaint has been properly completed and verified.
An affidavit of probable cause must be completed before a warrant can be issued.

(Magisterial District Court Number)

[Signature]
(Issuing Authority)





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AFFIDAVIT of PROBABLE CAUSE

Your Affiants are Pennsylvania State Police Corporal Daniel R NILON and Master Trooper Michael MULVEY. Affiant NILON is a Criminal Investigation Unit Supervisor at the Troop R Dunmore Barracks. Affiant NILON has been assigned in that capacity since May 2020 and employed by the State Police since January 2007. Affiant NILON has attended numerous trainings related to crimes involving victims, including sexual crimes, as well as numerous trainings related to digital evidence examination and extraction. Affiant NILON has also been involved in numerous investigations involving serious crimes ranging from sexual crimes to homicides and has prepared and executed numerous search warrants during those types of investigations. Many of these investigations have resulted in the arrest and successful prosecution for individuals for violations of various statutes.

Affiant MULVEY is a Master Trooper employed by the Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Criminal Investigation and is currently assigned to the Organized Crime Task Force. Your Affiant has been a member of the Pennsylvania State Police since 1998. Your Affiant was a member of the Criminal Investigative Unit at PSP Blooming Grove from 2006 until 2015. Affiant MULVEY has attended numerous trainings related to crimes involving victims, including sexual crimes. During his time of employment with the Pennsylvania State Police, your Affiant has been involved with thousands of criminal investigations ranging from sexual crimes to homicide and has prepared, executed and assisted in numerous search warrants during those types of investigations. Many of these investigations have resulted in the arrest and successful prosecution for individuals for violations of various statutes.

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I, CPL. DANIEL NILON / TRC MULVEY BEING DULY SWORN ACCORDING TO THE LAW, DEPOSE AND SAY THAT THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE FOREGOING AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION AND BELIEF.

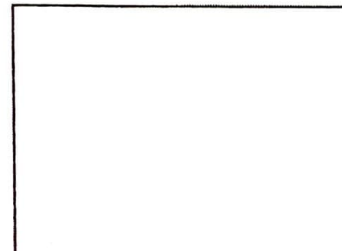
I CERTIFY THAT THIS FILING COMPLIES WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CASE RECORDS PUBLIC ACCESS POLICY OF THE UNIFIED JUDICIAL SYSTEM OF PENNSYLVANIA THAT REQUIRE FILING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS DIFFERENTLY THAN NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS.

CPL. DANIEL NILON / TRC MULVEY 10/30/2022
(Signature of Affiant)

Sworn to me and subscribed before me this 8th day of Aug 2022

_____ Date _____ Magisterial District Judge

My commission expires first Monday of January,





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The Pennsylvania State Police (PSP), in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General (OAG), conducted an investigation into felony acts of promoting prostitution committed by Corey KOLCHARNO ("KOLCHARNO"), Esquire. It was determined that he sexually violated four female women at various locations in and around Lackawanna County while he was representing them, their significant others or family members. All four women were subjected to sexual exploitation and this investigation determined that KOLCHARNO tethered his performance as their counsel to a demand for sexual services from them or in exchange for payment.

Following his graduation from the Thomas M. Cooley School of Law, in Lansing, Michigan, KOLCHARNO was admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania on May 21, 2001. He was in private practice until approximately 2005. From 2005 to 2011, he served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Lackawanna County District Attorney's Office. KOLCHARNO subsequently joined the law firm of FANUCCI & KOLCHARNO, located in Blakely, Lackawanna County where he was employed when these crimes occurred.

This investigation determined that many of KOLCHARNO's female clients struggled with addiction, had a history of being sexually abused, or, suffered from other vulnerabilities. KOLCHARNO systematically exploited these vulnerabilities for his own sexual gratification. In most cases, KOLCHARNO would initiate contact with these women by speaking about their legal matters. He would then further the conversation by complimenting them about their physical appearance and if the Victim did not outwardly rebuff his advances, he then would request nude photographs and/or worn undergarments in lieu of payment for legal services, or for money provided in person or through electronic means. He would then transition into requesting sex acts in exchange for legal services or payment. Multiple search warrants executed on digital media stored by KOLCHARNO followed by a forensic examination of that media, including his cellular telephone, would ultimately reveal a carefully curated collection of nude photographs of his female clients.

While the Victims involved had little-to-no knowledge of each other, their complaints are strikingly similar when detailing KOLCHARNO's criminal course of conduct.

• Victim 1 - J.C.

J.C. reported to your Affiant's that she met KOLCHARNO in 2013. She was on probation at the time and at risk for being violated by her probation officer. KOLCHARNO informed her that for \$1,200.00, he would meet with her probation officer. After this meeting occurred, J.C. was only required to serve one weekend in jail.

This investigation determined that J.C. struggled with alcohol addiction and alcohol-related charges resulted in her incarceration in both county and state prisons with intermittent periods of release. In mid-2019, KOLCHARNO contacted J.C. and asked to stop in and visit with her at her residence in Luzerne County. After he arrived, KOLCHARNO proposed a "business transaction," inquiring if she wanted to "make a quick \$200.00." When J.C. asked what the transaction entailed, J.C. related that KOLCHARNO stated, "well, how would you feel about if I were to order a bunch of sexy lingerie? I would drop it off here at the house and you wear it for a few days, don't wash it, and I'll come and pick it up." J.C. refused. J.C. stated that KOLCHARNO's demands continued and J.C. eventually relented. J.C. also provided nude photographs of herself to KOLCHARNO at his request.

On another occasion, KOLCHARNO purchased furniture for J.C. at Big Lots located in Eynon, PA. While at her residence after the shopping trip, KOLCHARNO shoved his hands inside her pants and groped her vagina without her consent. J.C. related that she then stopped KOLCHARNO. When he stepped away, he threw \$60.00 on the kitchen counter.

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J.C. reported that KOLCHARNO knew she was in recovery, in jeopardy of incarceration and struggling financially. With that knowledge, KOLCHARNO offered her \$500.00 in exchange for oral or vaginal sex. J.C. recalled that intercourse occurred on approximately five occasions. KOLCHARNO gave her \$500.00 on the first occasion but the amount varied on subsequent occasions.

KOLCHARNO did not bill J.C. for the legal services rendered during that period as payment was made through the performance of sex acts. J.C. recalled her final contact with KOLCHARNO in 2020, there was a virtual court hearing held in connection with a legal matter involving J.C. She and KOLCHARNO were present in his office. J.C. stated that after the hearing ended, KOLCHARNO stated, "Come on. Come on. Just give me a quick blow job." J.C. refused, left his office and has not seen him since that time.

• Victim 2 - C.K.

In approximately 2018, C.K. related to your Affiants that KOLCHARNO first made contact at a massage parlor in Lackawanna County. KOLCHARNO would frequent this establishment on a regular basis and receive masturbation from C.K. for a fee of \$200.00 to \$300.00. KOLCHARNO subsequently met C.K. at her home on numerous occasions where he had sexual intercourse with her for \$300.00.

In 2019, C.K. was charged with a criminal offense and asked KOLCHARNO to represent her. KOLCHARNO appeared at the hearing for C.K. and the charge was ultimately reduced, but KOLCHARNO never requested payment. Rather, KOLCHARNO met C.K. at a residence in Old Forge, Lackawanna County and had sex with her in exchange for \$300.00. Following sex with C.K., KOLCHARNO then took pictures of her lying nude on the bed.

• Victim 3 - C.G.

C.G. reported to your Affiants that KOLCHARNO began representing her in connection with criminal charges in Lackawanna County in 2019. While representing her, KOLCHARNO stated that he would take "\$500.00" off her bill if she had sex with him. C.G. told investigators that she ultimately had oral sex with him on at least five or six occasions and intercourse with him on two on three occasions in order to receive the reduction on her bill. C.G. complained to her boyfriend about this arrangement but explained that she had no choice because she could not afford to make regular payments.

Your Affiant's interviewed Scranton PD Street Crimes Unit Officer Jason HYLER, who stated that he interviewed C.G.'s boyfriend on 12/12/20 during an unrelated investigation. During the 12/12/20 interview, C.G.'s boyfriend stated to Officer HYLER that C.G. had informed him of sexual interactions between KOLCHARNO and C.G. in exchange for money off of her legal bills. This interview occurred before this investigation began and corroborates C.G.'s statements.

On various occasions between early 2019 and into 2020, KOLCHARNO had sex with C.G. and would subsequently send her a receipt which indicated \$500.00 had been taken off her bill. Investigators reviewed billing records from the law office of FANUCCI and KOLCHARNO and noted that KOLCHARNO's staff had deducted the sum from C.G.'s account at KOLCHARNO's request and added the note "per CJK" (Corey John KOLCHARNO).

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Victim 4 - K.W.

K.W. reported to your Affiants that she met KOLCHARNO while providing training to his child as part of an extracurricular sports activity. At the time, she was struggling as a single mother. She had also recently had her savings stolen by her brother who was addicted to drugs and facing criminal charges. KOLCHARNO portrayed himself as being invested in understanding her plight and took on her brother as a client. While working on his case, KOLCHARNO assisted K.W.'s brother with help for his addictions. KOLCHARNO initially began complimenting K.W. on her appearance and then started asking for pictures of K.W. in gym attire. KOLCHARNO furthered his advances and propositioned K.W. for nude photographs and underwear that she had worn to the gym. He paid \$50.00 per pair of worn underwear and \$100.00 for certain on-demand nude photographs. On more than one occasion, KOLCHARNO met K.W., picked up her soiled underwear, placed his hands into her pants and inserted his finger into her vagina without consent. KOLCHARNO asked K.W. how much she would charge for sexual intercourse. KOLCHARNO knew K.W. had no criminal history and had never engaged in prostitution, but he was also aware of her dire financial situation.

On two subsequent occasions -- once in the parking lot of the Scranton Co-Op Farmer's Market in Lackawanna County and once at KOLCHARNO's Lackawanna County home -- K.W. met with KOLCHARNO. Upon her arrival, KOLCHARNO had already begun to masturbate himself and aggressively moved towards her to physically position her for sexual intercourse. KOLCHARNO had quick and forceful sex with K.W. on both occasions. Following each act of intercourse, he handed her \$500.00 in cash. K.W. stated that she felt ashamed and only relented to the second encounter after feeling as though there was no escape after the first encounter. K.W. reported that KOLCHARNO continued to proposition her in 2022, asking if she would make a pornographic video with him. K.W. declined.

Your Affiants reviewed evidence that was recovered during a forensic examination of KOLCHARNO's cellular phone. The telephone contained hundreds of nude or sexually explicit images of KOLCHARNO's female clients. The examination revealed that KOLCHARNO cataloged the explicit images of his clients by name, and by e-mailing collections of images related to specific clients back to himself for safekeeping. He often created collages of sexually explicit images. In many cases, KOLCHARNO also took photographs from the women's social media accounts, without their permission, where they appeared in swimsuits or in gym attire. These pictures were assimilated into his collection. The explicit photos of KOLCHARNO's clients were cataloged with images of KOLCHARNO's favorite pornographic actresses, prostitutes, and escorts.

Evidence was obtained related to KOLCHARNO's use of electronic money transfer applications such as "Cash App." This evidence was obtained directly from the service provider following service of a search warrant. These records corroborated the testimony of various witnesses who said they received money from KOLCHARNO through that service. In some cases, KOLCHARNO included a message with the payment in the form of a heart emoji, a reference to pictures, or with the word "panties."

These events and offenses occurred at various locations throughout counties in North Eastern Pennsylvania with the majority of sexual offenses occurring in Lackawanna County over a period of time spanning January 2018 through early 2022.

Based upon the aforementioned facts and circumstances, your Affiants request criminal charges and a warrant of arrest be issued for Corey KOLCHARNO for the crimes of Promoting Prostitution, a felony of the third degree, pursuant to 18 Pa. C.S. 5902 (b)(3), be issued.


(Signature of Affiant)