

**IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

JEFFREY R. HIRSCHKORN,
Plaintiff,

CASE: 2025 CC _____

VOLUSIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
DET. WILLIAM WEAVER,
Defendant(s),

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VERIFIED COMPLAINT¹

COMES NOW, the Plaintiff, **JEFFREY R. HIRSCHKORN**; appearing *pro se* and wherein files suit against the named Defendant(s), **VOLUSIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** and **DET. WILLIAM WEAVER**.

1. This is an action for damages that DOES NOT exceed the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND AND ONE DOLLARS, exclusive of costs, interest and associated costs for initiating suit and service of process by the sheriff. (The estimated value of the Plaintiff's claim is within the minimum jurisdictional threshold required by this Court.) The total value of the claims presented thereof will be determined by a fair and just trial in accordance with Article I, Section 21 of the Fla. Constitution.

¹ The Plaintiff is proceeding *pro se* and is a certified paralegal, of whom holds multiple degrees and is also within the purview of The National Association of Legal Assistants and that all issues contained within are facially sufficient.

2. Jurisdiction of the 7th Judicial Circuit Court in and for Volusia County, Florida is proper considering that the events underlying in the aforesaid case did happen within the confines of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida.

INVOLVED PARTIES

3. At all times material to this action, Plaintiff, JEFFREY R. HIRSCHKORN, is a natural person residing in Orange County, Florida and is proceeding *pro se*.
4. At all times material to this action, Defendant, **VOLUSIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**, was and is a government entity operating as the chief law enforcement agency within Volusia County, Florida.
5. At all times material to this action, Defendant, **DET. WILLIAM WEAVER**, was and is a detective for the VOLUSIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

FACTS

6. On or about May 2, 2025, Plaintiff, JEFFREY R. HIRSCHKORN, was arrested by representatives of the ORLANDO POLICE DEPARTMENT on two outstanding warrants for arrest, with one case out of Volusia County and the other was from Orange County.

7. At that time and place, Volusia County Detective William Weaver took it upon himself to commit slander against the Plaintiff when he instructed members of the Orlando Police Department fugitive task force to take pictures of the Plaintiff and then proceeded to disseminate such over the local news media.
8. Such matter in itself is correlated in the annexed exhibits within the pleading which reflect that Detective Weaver made false and misleading statements in an attempt to slander and diminish the character of the Plaintiff. The lead Defendant is wholly liable for the negligence committed in the form of slander committed by Detective Weaver and the Plaintiff is injured immensely.
9. From jump, Detective Weaver made overt and false statements attacking the character of the Plaintiff, which, in turn caused the Volusia County Court to solidify a higher bail bond amount on lower-tier third-degree felonies; all of which will be fought. However, due to the pretrial publicity engineered by Detective Weaver, it is likely that the Plaintiff will NOT receive a fair and impartial proceeding, which may cause counsel to seek a change of venue.

CLAIM
DETECTIVE WEAVER'S ACTIONS PROVED TO DEFAMATORY
AND SLANDEROUS AGAINST THE PLAINTIFF; WHEREIN
CAUSING HARM AND DETRIMENT TO DUE PROCESS

Based on the covenants of governing Fla. Stat. §§ 47.011, 47.051, the Plaintiff maintains that the tier of statements proffered by Detective Weaver were egregiously false; such statements were distributed in written format; such statements have caused the Plaintiff harm emotionally, physically and monetarily and such statements were not protected. Most notably, the comment that the Plaintiff allegedly made to the manager of DAYTONA KIA coined as "Catch Me If You Can," is totally errant and only engineered for publicity of the matter which in itself is nothing more than a minor case until Detective Weaver took the time to blast this over FOX NEWS 35, FaceBook (via VCSO web page) and also on the VCSO Instagram page.

Not to mention that Detective Weaver's order to Orlando Police Department to ensure that once the Plaintiff was in custody to take multiple photos in an attempt to further disparage the character of the Plaintiff. Such pictures have caused enumerable hurt to the Plaintiff and family as the deprivation is enormous in multiple areas, including that of the mobile home community that the Plaintiff's

father resides in. The enormity of the matter is grandiose and cannot go on without notice.

In further, the banter and harassment that the Plaintiff has had to endure is never ending and people have even caused property damage to the cars of the Plaintiff, with damages yet unknown. Not to forget that the falsities contained within the FOX News report is also attacking the history of the Plaintiff with errant numbers and that too did cause a manipulative catapult of the state attorney to file formal charges and also influence a Circuit Court Judge to set higher than normal bonds for low level third degree felonies.

One cannot forget that the disparagement does NOT stop there as Detective Weaver made a litany of false statements in his *Affiant Statement* engineered to obtain an arrest warrant against the Plaintiff, issued on the 1st day of May, 2025. In his award-winning report (indexed as VP [REDACTED]), the falsities and lies ran rampant and such caused the Plaintiff undue harm emotionally, physically and financially.

1. The false comment that the Plaintiff purposefully submitted a cashier's check for over the amount requested is analogous and totally false. First off, prior to sending the \$3,500 check to Daytona Kia, it was confirmed through finance that such was the required down payment for the purchase. At that

time, the Plaintiff sent what was required. Several days after the fact, the Plaintiff was contacted by finance and a refund of \$1,500 was sent to the Plaintiff as a rebate from Kia was not tabulated at the time the Plaintiff submitted the cashier's check by expedited mail processing. ***The statement that Detective Weaver made that the Plaintiff maliciously sent a higher amount to get credentials is overt, false and defamatory.***

2. Detective Weaver's conveyance that the general manager of Daytona Kia called the Plaintiff to advise of the matter is totally egregious and phone records would substantiate such being a falsity; again, Detective Weaver making egregious and false statements thereof.
3. Detective Weaver's correlation to events not related to the allegations thereof had been done solely to engineer the concept that a higher bond is necessary; such proved to be a falsity and totally egregious and uniformly unprofessional.
4. Most notably, all of the statements proffered by Detective Weaver (including the fact that he allegedly spoke to the Plaintiff's dad) are totally enjoined to slander and defame the character of the Plaintiff and damages are enormous to say the least.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff humbly states that the actions of Volusia County Sheriff's Detective Weaver cannot go on without intervention and actions internally and externally. The Plaintiff summates the case for damages of \$50,000 jointly and severally against both Defendants and the comment which resonates to the falsity to the fullest and highest plateau is: "Jeffrey Hirschhorn deliberately overpaid the Daytona Kia dealership so that he would receive a refund check drawn on the dealership's business checking account." Equally disturbing is the parity or parable by Detective Weaver that the Plaintiff resembles Frank Abagnale. Such comparison is nothing more than character assassination and uniformly satisfied all criteria set forth in Florida Statutes to prove and succeed judicially in a case of slander and libel.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff moves the Court for a non-jury trial and equitable damages of \$50,000 collectively as the Volusia County Sheriff is totally liable and accountable for the actions of Detective William Weaver. The Plaintiff has solidified the case in tandem that the damages suffered are at the hands of the unprofessional, unethical and illegal conduct of Detective Weaver.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was filed by utilizing The Florida E-Filing Portal on this 11th day of May, 2025; with a primary copy furnished to the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Civil Division and a conformed filed copy to each Defendant, via United States Mail.

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