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RB # AT66366

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA
CRIMINAL BRANCH**

THE STATE OF NEBRASKA)

Plaintiff)

-vs-)

GUZMAN, NOEMI 10/20/1994)

H13351868)

3211149)

Defendant)

STATE OF NEBRASKA)

County of Douglas)

DOC. 24 NO. 3808

**AFFIDAVIT OF
COMPLAINING WITNESS**



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OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Ofc. John Lopez #1955 , being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that this affiant is an Officer of the Omaha Police Department, City of Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska. This affiant further states, that, based upon the investigation of Omaha Police Officer, Lopez #1955, there are grounds for issuance of an arrest warrant for the above defendant:

On Monday, 04 March 2024, Affiant Detective LOPEZ, John #1955 was assigned to review an incident that occurred the previous day on Sunday, 03 March 2024 in the area of 2227 South 11th Street in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska. This incident also continued to St. Francis Cabrini Church located at 1334 S 9th Street (AT66370) during a series of events involving a party later identified as suspect GUZMAN, Noemi (W/F, 10/20/94). GUZMAN was taken into custody at the scene by members of the Omaha Police Department Emergency Response Unit after a barricade at 1334 South 9th Street but was transferred to the University of Nebraska Medical Center for a psychiatric evaluation and hold.

On Sunday, 03 March 2024 at 0519 hours Officers STANBACK #2573 and TOMASSO #2575 were dispatched to 2227 S 11th St. for disturbance. Upon arrival, Officers made contact with victim GUZMAN, Octavio (H/M DOB 07/02/1965) with facial injuries who stated that his daughter, GUZMAN, Noemi (H/F DOB 10/20/1994) sprayed him with pepper gel spray and cut him with a knife during the disturbance within the home. Officers also reported smelling a strong odor of lighter fluid and observed a cloud

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of smoke inside the residence which OCTAVIO later reported was caused by NOEMI in an attempt to start the house on fire. Officers observed what looked to be a burned kitchen spoon and what appeared to be burn marks on the basement staircase. During this disturbance GUZMAN, Octavio also reported that GUZMAN, Noemi poured lighter fluid on him and his wife OSARIO, Ana (H/F DOB 03/11/1964) to collaborate the strong lighter fluid smell. OCTAVIO received several injuries to the left side of his face to include a 3" abrasion under his chin, a 3-4" cut to the neck under the ear and a deeper cut to the temple region of his left eye. OCTAVIO received six stitches (non-life threatening) to close these injuries and OCTAVIO did identify the cuts to have occurred while struggling with Noemi just prior to police arrival.

At 0607hrs Officers MACHUCA-CASILLAS #2428 and TRECEK #2327 were then dispatched to 1334 S 9th St- St Francis Cabrini Church for a burglary in progress. Upon arrival Officers observed a window screen on the ground next to the front entrance. Officers then made contact with GUZMAN, Noemi who was inside the residence armed with a knife while the caller/live in resident ZUERLEIN, Father Damian locked himself in an upstairs bedroom. Officers with the assistance of an Omaha Fire Department ladder/rig were able to safely remove ZUERLEIN from the second story window. While ZUERLEIN was climbing down the ladder, GUZMAN broke into the upstairs room and charged at ZUERLEIN with a large kitchen knife in hand. ZUERLEIN was able to exit the ladder safely and was unharmed. ZUERLIEN reported that during the initial confrontation inside the home, GUZMAN stated to him, "I'm going to do terrible things. It is not my intent to hurt you" and began systematically tearing things off the walls and piling furniture in several rooms. GUZMAN was told to leave but disregarded the Father's direction and continued her destructive actions throughout the live-in domicile/home portion of the church until police arrived.

Affiant Officer later spoke to both victims during follow up. The father/victim #1 OCTAVIO confirmed that GUZMAN attempted to start a small fire inside 2227 South 11th Street after he and his wife was doused with lighter fluid in what he believed was an attempt to kill them. Victim #2 ZUERLEIN stated that among the items damaged within the home was "high end historical paintings" on the wall permanently damaged by way of various oils and wines poured on them while in the pile by the suspect which was estimated at minimum \$5000-\$6000 in expected losses/damage. There was also additional damages to the furniture that belongs to the church which has yet to be fully estimated at this time (Omaha Police Forensics photographs taken) but will require complete restoration contractors to fix.

Affiant Officer is seeking an arrest warrant for Arson 1st Degree, 2nd Degree Felony Assault Burglary, and Criminal Mischief for the above described actions.

This affiant Officer further states that there is reasonable cause to believe the crime of Arson 1st Degree, 2nd Degree Felony Assault, Burglary and Criminal Mischief was committed and that the said defendant committed the said crime.

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DATED this 5 day of March, 2024.

John N. Zo #1955
OMAHA NEBRASKA POLICE OFFICER

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 5 day of March, 2024.

Gary S. Quinn
Dep. Clerk OF THE COUNTY COURT
OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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EXTRADITION INFORMATION

DEFENDANT: NOEMI GUZMAN

Date of Birth: 20 October 1994
OCTAVIO GUZMAN

Originating Agency: **OPD / DCSO**

Date of Capias:

CR# 24-3808

Warrant # _____ RB# T66366

Data # 3211149

CHARGES:

2ND DEGREE ASSAULT CLASS IIA
FELONY
ARSON FIRST DEGREE Class II Felony
BURGLARY CLASS IIA FELONY
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF \$5000 OR MORE
CLASS IV FELONY

Judge:

Amount of Forfeited Bond: \$0

Deputy County Attorney: RYAN M. LINDBERG, #23656

Comments/Suggestions: _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXTRADITION:

- _____ 125 Mile Radius
- _____ 250 Mile Radius
- X 500 Mile Radius
- _____ Continental United States
- _____ All 50 United States

DATE: 03/05/2024 BY: RML

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