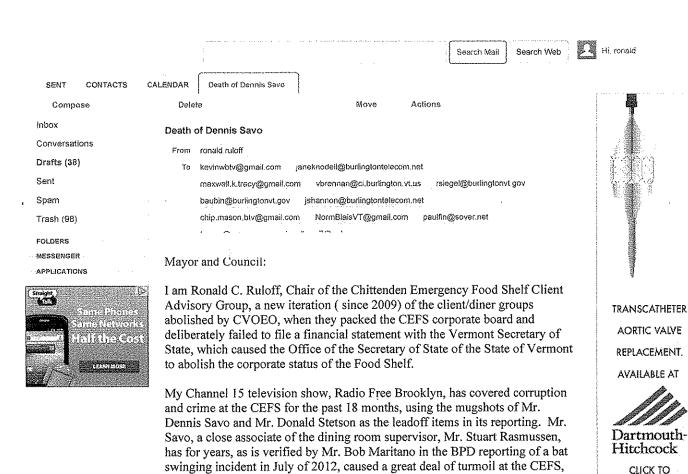
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On this past April 2nd Mr. Savo was declared dead at the Fletcher Allen emergency room. The autopsy revealed that he died from severe abuse of heroin and alcohol, in room 45 of the Ho Hum Motel on Shelburne Road, in South Burlington.

being constantly reinstated on the CEFS property by Mr. Rasmussen. I

reported, accurately, that Mr. Savo was constantly intoxicated over the 12 years I have been aware of him, and a narcotics addict and peddler, using the

The past and present councilors from Wards 2 & 3 have paid little attention to the problems of this iconic feeding station in Burlington. Since Wanda Hines left the Food Shelf in a career move, the management of the Food Shelf has deteriorated drastically. Apparently, the current management and the dining room supervisor, have, since the death of Mr. Savo, set up a needle (syringe, sharps) receptacle in the Food Shelf restroom, by reliable report, on the Thursday or Friday following Mr. Savo's death. This is appalling. This installation is an open invitation to the practice of heroin injection on the CEFS property, which obviously involves the bringing of heroin into the facility. This, obviously, is both a state and federal crime.

Attached to the hard copy of this email is a copy of the certified copy of the death certificate I obtained from the city clerk's office, and also a montage copy of photographs of the syringe ("sharps") receptacle in the FS restroom. I ask the city councilors, especially those in Wards 2 & 3, to inquire of CVOEO and of Mr. Rob Meehan, current CVOEO director of the CEFS to explain why Mr. Savo was allowed back on the FS property last July (of 2012) (when he threatened a FS volunteer with a baseball bat, with a blood alcohol level of .249); and why a sharps receptacle has been installed in the restroom of the CEFS. I ask the Mayor and Council also to inquire as to who empties the sharps receptacle and to describe how the syringes are disposed of.

CEFS as his clientele base.

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I note at this time that Mr. Stuart Rasmussen is the person indicated on the CEFS website as the person in charge of the grounds at the Food Shelf. Mr. Rasmussen has convictions for domestic abuse, for which he served prison time, as well as theft.

I ask the Mayor and Council to inquire of CEFS/CVOEO whether or not someone with a criminal conviction record like that of Mr. Rasmussen meets the CVOEO background check requirements for employment at the Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf. I would note that a former cook at the CEFS was dismissed after he was arrested on CEFS property on a VT charge of having failed to register as a sex offender.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ronald C. Ruloff, Chair, Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf Client Advisory Group DEFENDANT: Dennis Savo DOB: 05/09/1958 AGE: 54 ADDRESS: 92 Cayuga Court

Burlington, VT 05401

ARRAIGNMENT DATE: 07/03/12 SA CASE NO.: 2012CN11601A

ASSIGNED PROSECUTOR: Emily Mccarthy POLICE DEPT.: Burlington Police Department

INVESTIGATING OFFICER: Taylor ADVOCATE: Nietra Panagoulis INCIDENT NO.: 12BU016163

### STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT CHITTENDEN UNIT

CRIMINAL DIVISION
DOCKET NO: 2412-7-12 Cncr

STATE OF VERMONT

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JUL - 3 2012

DENNIS SAVO, Defendant

#### INFORMATION BY STATE'S ATTORNEY

By the authority of the State of Vermont, the State's Attorney for Chittenden County, upon the oath of office charges:

COUNT 1 OF 1

CHARGE CODE: 13V1023A3, CHARGE NAME: Assault-Simple-Attempted By Menace, OFFENSE CLASS:

Dennis Savo, in this Territorial Unit, in the County of Chittenden, at Burlington, on or about July 2, 2012, attempted by physical menace to put another in fear of imminent serious bodily injury, to wit, by swinging a bat and threatening Daniel Keller, in violation of 13 V.S.A. § 1023(a)(3).

Penalty: imprisoned not more than 1 year or fined not more than \$1,000.00 or both.

Against the peace and dignity of the State.

DATED: July 3, 2012

State's Attorney (Deputy)

This information has been presented to me and I have found probable cause.

DATED: 7/3/15-

Finger Prints Photoe Superior Court Judge

## BURLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

#### STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT CHITTENDEN UNIT Criminal Division
Docket No.

State of Vermont

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Dennis L. Savo (DOB 07/09/58), Defendant

Now comes <u>Corporal I. Taylor</u>, affiant, being duly sworn and on oath deposes and says he has probable cause to believe that <u>Dennis L. Savo</u>, has committed the crime of <u>Simple Assault</u>, in violation of Title 13 V.S.A. 1023(3).

- A. On Monday July 2, 2012 at approximately 1602 hours, myself and multiple units responded to the Chittenden County Emergency Food Shelf, located 228 North Winooski Avenue; in regards to a male identified as Dennis L. Savo (DOB 07/09/58) hereinafter referred to as the Defendant, swing a baseball bat at staff in the parking lot. The call came in via 911 by Matthew Barron (DOB 01/17/80) employed as Warehouse Manager.
- B. Upon our arrival the Defendant had fled the scene, but was quickly located on Crombie Street by Corporal Petralia. I met with the victim and witnesses while Cpl. Petralia detained the Defendant. The victim was identified as Daniel J. Keller (DOB 5/27/74) a volunteer at the food shelf. According to Keller, he was asked by management to have the Defendant's grocery cart moved off the property, away from the warehouse door. Keller stated he asked the Defendant numerous times throughout the day, but the Defendant refused. At approximately 1600 hours, Keller again asked the Defendant to move his grocery cart. It was at this time the Defendant began to argue with Keller and eventually reached into his cart and pulled out an aluminum baseball bat and threatened to smash Keller's head in. Keller stated the Defendant was approximately 20 to 25 yards away when he had the baseball bat in hand. The Defendant was swinging wildly in the air and hitting a chain link fence cursing at Keller. The Defendant's rage increased as he began walking towards Keller threatening to smash his head in. Keller stated this is when he felt imminent fear of serious bodily injury. Once the Defendant observed Barron calling the police, he immediately fled the scene. Keller provided a sworn written statement describing the above incident.
- C. There were numerous witnesses on scene, but only two were willing to provide a statement to this officer. Matt Barron the original caller stated he witnessed the Defendant swinging the baseball bat in the air numerous times and hitting the fence. He also observed the Defendant walk towards Keller and feared for Keller's safety. Barron also heard the Defendant tell Keller he was going to smash his (Keller's) brains.

- D. The second witness was identified as Lael S. Ringer (DOB 05/03/73) who is a volunteer worker at the food shelf. Ringer provided a very similar statement of events that Barron provided. Ringer added that earlier, approximately 20 minutes before the incident; the intoxicated Defendant was swearing and had actually scared a women and her child away from the shelter.
- E. While on scene, the Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf Food Drive Coordinator; Bob Maritano asked that we (Police) trespass the Defendant from the property. Maritano requested that I ask the courts to place conditions on the Defendant to remain 500 feet away from the food shelf. Maritano stated the Defendant has been trespassed from the food shelf in the past, but would remain on the sidewalk, which borders the food shelf. Maritano stated the Defendant shenanigans is an on going issue and has made it an unpleasant experience for donors and the public/clientele.
- F. According to Corporal Petralia the Defendant made the following statement when asked if he had raised the baseball bat towards Keller. "Yeah, I was just blowing of steam, hitting the fence."

G. The baseball ball bat in question is described as a Louisville Slugger 28 in – 24 oz. The baseball bat and 911 tapes were tagged as evidence. At approximately 1655 hours, the Defendant had a BAC of .249%

(Affignt)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on /2/12, at Burlington

Notary Public (expires 2/10/2015)

DEFENDANT: Dennis Savo DOB: 05/09/1958 AGE: 54 ADDRESS: 92 Cayuga Court

Burlington, VT 05401

ARRAIGNMENT DATE: 07/31/12 SA CASE NO.: 2012CN12002A

ASSIGNED PROSECUTOR: Emily Mccarthy POLICE DEPT.: Burlington Police Department INVESTIGATING OFFICER: Melillo, Carmelo

ADVOCATE:

INCIDENT NO.: 12BU016558

#### STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT CHITTENDEN UNIT

CRIMINAL DIVISION DOCKET NO: 2583-7-12

STATE OF VERMONT

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JUL 17 2012

DENNIS SAVO, Defendant

#### INFORMATION BY STATE'S ATTORNEY

By the authority of the State of Vermont, the State's Attorney for Chittenden County, upon the oath of office charges:

COUNT 1 OF 1

CHARGE CODE: 13V7559E, CHARGE NAME: Violation Of Conditions Of Release, OFFENSE CLASS: M

Dennis Savo, in this Territorial Unit, in the County of Chittenden, at Burlington, on or about July 6, 2012, being subject to release conditions issued under 13 V.S.A. §7554, violated condition 31. Defendant shall not be within 500 feet away from Chitt. Cty Food Shelf, in violation of 13 V.S.A. §7559(e).

Penalty: imprisoned not more than 6 months or fined not more than \$1,000.00 or both.

Against the peace and dignity of the State.

DATED: July 13, 2012

State's Attorney (Deputy)

This information has been presented to me and I have found probable cause.

DATED:

7.17.2012

Superior Court Judge

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## BURLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

## STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT CHITTENDEN UNIT Criminal Division
Docket No. Cncr

State of Vermont

v.

Dennis L. Savo (DOB 7/9/1985)

Now comes <u>Officer Carmelo J. Melilli, Jr</u>, affiant, being duly sworn and on oath deposes and says he has probable cause to believe that <u>Dennis L. Savo</u>, has committed the crime of <u>Violation of Conditions of Release</u> in violation of Title <u>13 V.S.A. 7559</u>;

- 1. On July 6, 2012, at approximately 1829hrs, I responded to the intersection of Decatur St. and N. Winooski Ave. for a report of a male sleeping next to a house. Dispatch reported the caller believed the male to be intoxicated. Upon arrival I observed a male, whom I know from several past encounters as Dennis Savo, sleeping on the sidewalk at the intersection of Decatur St and N. Winooski Ave.
- 2. I asked dispatch to perform a conditions check on Dennis Savo. I was informed by dispatch that Savo had current conditions not to be within 500 feet of the Chittenden County Food Shelf located at the intersection of N. Union St and N. Winooski Ave.
- 3. Pursuant to condition of release imposed by the Honorable James R. Crucitti on July 3, 2012 (Docket# 2412-7-12) Savo has the following active condition:
  - a. Defendant shall not be within 500 feet away from Chitt. Cty Food Shelf

4. Based on the above I believe probable cause exits to charge Savo with the violation of the above condition of release. Savo was directly across the street from the Food Shelf, which is located at the intersection of N. Union and N. Winooski Ave. The Food Shelf is approximately 200 feet from the intersection of Decatur St. and N. Winooski Ave where Savo was located.

(Affiant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 7/4/12, at Burlington

Notary Public (expires 2/10/2015)

DEFENDANT: Dennis Savo DOB: 05/09/1958 AGE: 54 ADDRESS: 92 Cayuga Court

Burlington, VT 05401

ARRAIGNMENT DATE: 07/24/12 SA CASE NO.: 2012CN12949A

ASSIGNED PROSECUTOR: Emily Mccarthy POLICE DEPT.: Burlington Police Department INVESTIGATING OFFICER: Schaller, Erica

ADVOCATE:

INCIDENT NO.: 12BU18154

### STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT CHITTENDEN UNIT

CRIMINAL DIVISION DOCKET NO: 2929-7-12 Cncr

STATE OF VERMONT

Vermont Superior Court

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JUL 2 4 2012

DENNIS SAVO, Defendant

Chittenden Unit

#### INFORMATION BY STATE'S ATTORNEY

By the authority of the State of Vermont, the State's Attorney for Chittenden County, upon the oath of office charges:

COUNT 1 OF 1

CHARGE CODE: 13V7559E, CHARGE NAME: Violation Of Conditions Of Release, OFFENSE CLASS: M

Dennis Savo, in this Territorial Unit, in the County of Chittenden, at Burlington, on or about July 22, 2012, being subject to release conditions issued under 13 V.S.A. §7554, violated condition #31, by being within 500 feet of the Chittenden County Food Shelf, in violation of 13 V.S.A. §7559(e).

Penalty: imprisoned not more than 6 months or fined not more than \$1,000.00 or both.

Against the peace and dignity of the State.

DATED: July 23, 2012

State's Attorney (Deputy)

This information has been presented to me and I have found probable cause.

DATED:

J 7-24.2012

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Superior Court Judge

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## BURLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT CHITTENDEN UNIT Criminal Division
Docket No. Cncr

State of Vermont

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Dennis L. Savo, defendant

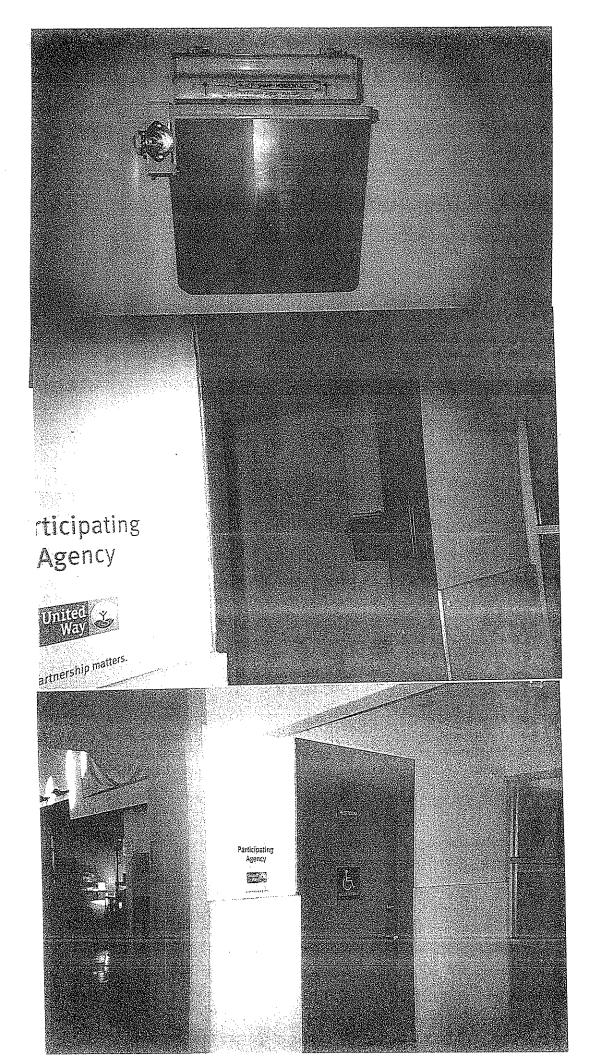
Now comes <u>Officer Erica E. Schaller</u>, affiant, being duly sworn and on oath deposes and says she has probable cause to believe that <u>Dennis L. Savo (D.O.B. 07/09/1958)</u> has committed the crime of <u>Violation of Conditions of Release</u>, in violation of <u>Title 13 V.S.A. 7559(e)</u>.

- 1. On July 22, 2012, Sergeant Warren, Officer Emilo, and I had responded to the Chittenden County Emergency Food Shelf, at 228 North Winooski Avenue, in the City of Burlington, for a welfare check. As Sergeant Warren and I were leaving the Food Shelf, at approximately 1230 hours, Sergeant Warren and I observed Dennis Savo (known from previous police contact, D.O.B. 07/09/1958) across the street on the southwest corner of Decatur Street and North Winooski Avenue. Sergeant Warren advised that Savo had Conditions of Release to not be within 500 feet of the Food Shelf. It should be noted that Savo was standing within 100-150 feet of the Food Shelf.
- 2. A Conditions of Release check on Savo verified that he had multiple active sets of Conditions of Release to include: Defendant shall stay 500 feet away from Chittenden County Food Shelf (Ordered on July, 3, 2012, Docket # 2412-7-12 Cncr, by the Honorable James R. Crucitti, and July 17, 2012, Docket # 2583-7-12 Cncr, Docket # 2848-7-12, Docket # 2851-7-12, by the Honorable Alison Arms). Copies of Savo's conditions of release are attached to the case.
- 3. Sergeant Warren and I took Savo into custody. I placed Savo into handcuffs, checked for tightness and double-locked and Sergeant Warren searched Savo incident to arrest. I transported Savo to the department where he was fingerprinted, photographed, and released on a Flash Citation to appear in Superior Court, Criminal Division, on July 24, 2012, for Violations of Conditions of Release.

(Affiant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on

Notary Public (expires 2/10/2015)



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Dennis Lee Savo Aliases: None

Date of Death: April 02, 2013

Time of Death: Unknown

1442013201495 State File Number

Date of Birth: July 09, 1958

Birthplace: Burlington, VT

Sex: Male

Mother's/Parent's Birth Name: Bernice Parker

Father's/Parent's Birth Name: John Savo. Sr.

Marital Status: Widowed

Spouse/Civil Union Partner:

Residence: P.O. Box 3145 (Homeless), Burlington, VT

Hispanic Origin: No

Race: White

Occupation: Carpenter

Business/Industry: Construction

Education: High school graduate or GED completed

Ever in U.S. Armed Forces: No

Veteran of Any War: No

Hospice Care (in past 30 days): No

Place of Death: Hotel; 1200 Shelburne Rd, #45, South Burlington, VT

Informant: Dennis Lee Russin; P.O. Box 147, North Troy, VT 05859

Disposition Date: April 08, 2013

Place of Temporary Storage: Place of Final Disposition: Green Mountain Cremation Service, Middlebury, VT

Method: Cremation Funeral Director/Authorized Person: James A. Meunier

Address: Elmwood Meunier Funeral Home, 97 Elmwood Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401

Manner of Death: Accident Cause of Death and Interval (Onset to Death): A. Acute intoxication due to the combined effects of heroin and alcohol (unknown)

Other Contributing Conditions:

Did Tobacco Use Contribute to Death: Unknown

Date Pronounced Dead: April 02, 2013

Medical Examiner Contacted: Yes

Pregnant at Time of Death: Not applicable

Time Pronounced Dead: 10:42 AM

Autopsy Performed: Yes

Autopsy Available: Yes

Relationship: Son

Injury Date/Time: Unknown / Unknown

Injury Place: unknown

Injury at Work: No Injury Location:

Transportation Injury:

How injury Occurred: Abuse of illicit substance and alcohol

Medical Certifier: Elizabeth A. Bundock, MD; Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, 111 Colchester Avenue, Baird 1, Burlington, VT 05401

Title of Certifier: Medical Examiner Date Certified: April 02, 2013

Other Attending Physician:

Registration Cyritain M. Hooley, State Registrar

Date Registered: April 04, 2013

Correction and Amendment History The following items(s) corrected/amended pursuant to 18 VSA 5202a, Attest: Grillia M. Horly

05/06/2013 Cause of Death and Interval 05:06/2013 Manner of Death

05/06/2013 Injury Date/Time

05/06/2013 Injury at Work

05/06/2013 Injury Location

05/06/2013 Injury Place

A. Pending (unknown)

Clerk/Treasurer's office

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