

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

District of Columbia

United States of America

v.

AARON JAMES MILEUR

DOB: XXXXXX

Defendant(s)

Case: 1:21-mj-00292

Assigned To : Harvey, G. Michael

Assign. Date : 3/9/2021

Description: Complaint w/ Arrest Warrant

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of January 6, 2021 in the county of _____ in the
 _____ in the District of Columbia, the defendant(s) violated:

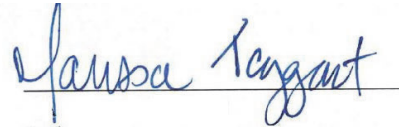
*Code Section**Offense Description*

18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1) - Knowingly Entering or Remaining in any Restricted Building or Grounds
 Without Lawful Authority,

40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2) - Violent Entry and Disorderly Conduct on Capitol Grounds.

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

See attached statement of facts.

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Complainant's signature

Marissa Taggart, Special Agent

Printed name and title

Attested to by the applicant in accordance with the requirements of Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1
 by telephone.

Date: 03/09/2021


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*Judge's signature*City and state: Washington, D.C.

G. Michael Harvey, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Printed name and title

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Your affiant, Marissa Taggart, is a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Specifically, I am assigned to the Anchorage Field Office, Joint Terrorism Task Force. As part of my duties as an FBI Special Agent I investigate a variety of national security matters, including international and domestic terrorism. Currently, I am tasked with investigating criminal activity in and around the Capitol grounds on January 6, 2021. As a Special Agent, I am authorized by law or by a Government agency to engage in or supervise the prevention, detention, investigation, or prosecution of a violation of Federal criminal laws.

The U.S. Capitol is secured 24 hours a day by U.S. Capitol Police. Restrictions around the U.S. Capitol include permanent and temporary security barriers and posts manned by U.S. Capitol Police. Only authorized people with appropriate identification were allowed access inside the U.S. Capitol. On January 6, 2021, the exterior plaza of the U.S. Capitol was also closed to members of the public.

On January 6, 2021, a joint session of the United States Congress convened at the United States Capitol, which is located at First Street, SE, in Washington, D.C. During the joint session, elected members of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate were meeting in separate chambers of the United States Capitol to certify the vote count of the Electoral College of the 2020 Presidential Election, which had taken place on November 3, 2020. The joint session began at approximately 1:00 p.m. Shortly thereafter, by approximately 1:30 p.m., the House and Senate adjourned to separate chambers to resolve a particular objection. Vice President Mike Pence was present and presiding, first in the joint session, and then in the Senate chamber.

As the proceedings continued in both the House and the Senate, and with Vice President Mike Pence present and presiding over the Senate, a large crowd gathered outside the U.S. Capitol. As noted above, temporary and permanent barricades were in place around the exterior of the U.S. Capitol building, and U.S. Capitol Police were present and attempting to keep the crowd away from the Capitol building and the proceedings underway inside.

At such time, the certification proceedings were still underway and the exterior doors and windows of the U.S. Capitol were locked or otherwise secured. Members of the U.S. Capitol Police attempted to maintain order and keep the crowd from entering the Capitol; however, shortly around 2:00 p.m., individuals in the crowd forced entry into the U.S. Capitol, including by breaking windows and by assaulting members of the U.S. Capitol Police, as others in the crowd encouraged and assisted those acts.

Shortly thereafter, at approximately 2:20 p.m. members of the United States House of Representatives and United States Senate, including the President of the Senate, Vice President Mike Pence, were instructed to—and did—evacuate the chambers. Accordingly, the joint session of the United States Congress was effectively suspended until shortly after 8:00 p.m. Vice President Pence remained in the United States Capitol from the time he was evacuated from the Senate Chamber until the sessions resumed.

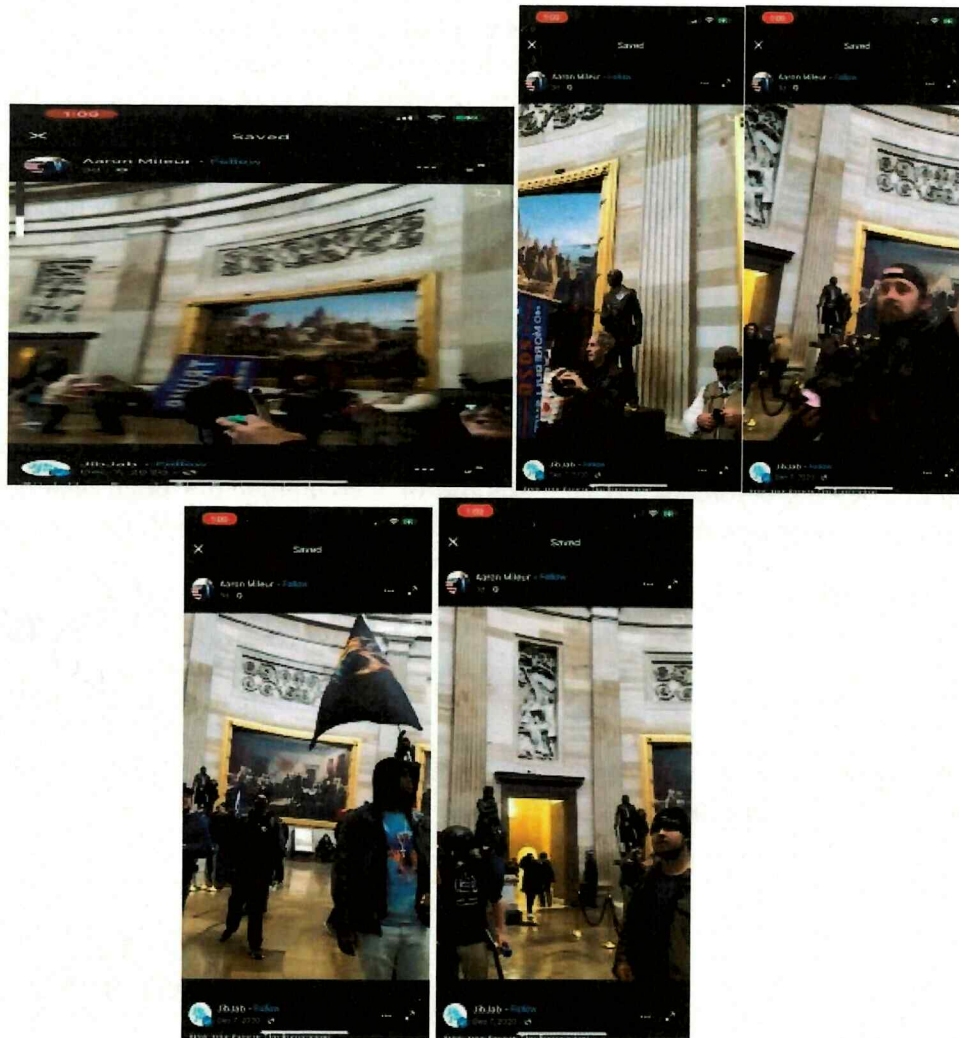
During national news coverage of the aforementioned events, video footage which appeared to be captured on mobile devices of persons present on the scene depicted evidence of violations of local and federal law, including scores of individuals inside the U.S. Capitol building without authority to be there.

On January 6, 2021, a complainant submitted a tip to the FBI National Threat Operations Center (NTOC) regarding AARON JAMES MILEUR. The complainant stated that on January 6, 2021, MILEUR posted on Facebook, photographs and video footage of himself inside the United States Capitol Building.

On January 11, 2021, the complainant was interviewed. The complainant stated that the Facebook photographs and video footage were posted onto MILEUR's Facebook account, at facebook.com/akman2469. The complainant was a Facebook friend with one of MILEUR's Facebook friends. The complainant provided the Facebook photographs and video footage of MILEUR in the United States Capitol Building. The Facebook video depicted MILEUR recording himself inside the United States Capitol Building.



A secondary complainant submitted a tip to the FBI NTOC with a video posted on Facebook by MILEUR. The video was posted to MILEUR's Facebook account as well as to the Facebook group called "Save Anchorage." The video does not depict MILEUR, however the video was recorded from inside the United States Capitol Building.



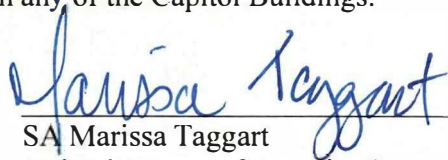
A Department of Motor Vehicles query revealed the Driver's License photograph belonging to MILEUR, who is a resident of Alaska. The FBI determined that MILEUR's Driver's License photograph, appear consistent with the Facebook photographs and video footage provided by the complainants.

On February 16, 2021, the FBI obtained records from a telecommunications provider revealing that the cellular phone number (***) ***-6505 belonged to MILEUR as the subscriber since November 25, 2015. Moreover, the FBI lawfully obtained information from Facebook, revealing that the subscriber associated with the abovementioned Facebook account was in fact MILEUR. In addition, the telephone number above – (***) ***-6505 – was connected to MILEUR's account too.


Based on the foregoing, your affiant submits that there is probable cause to believe that MILEUR violated 18 U.S.C. § 1752(a)(1) and (2), which makes it a crime to (1) knowingly enter or remain in any restricted building or grounds without lawful authority to do; and (2) knowingly, and with intent to impede or disrupt the orderly conduct of Government business or official

functions, engage in disorderly or disruptive conduct in, or within such proximity to, any restricted building or grounds when, or so that, such conduct, in fact, impedes or disrupts the orderly conduct of Government business or official functions; or attempts or conspires to do so. For purposes of Section 1752 of Title 18, a "restricted building" includes a posted, cordoned off, or otherwise restricted area of a building or grounds where the President or other person protected by the Secret Service, including the Vice President, is or will be temporarily visiting; or any building or grounds so restricted in conjunction with an event designated as a special event of national significance.

Your affiant submits there is also probable cause to believe that MILEUR violated 40 U.S.C. § 5104(e)(2)(D) & (G), which makes it a crime to willfully and knowingly (D) utter loud, threatening, or abusive language, or engage in disorderly or disruptive conduct, at any place in the Grounds or in any of the Capitol Buildings with the intent to impede, disrupt, or disturb the orderly conduct of a session of Congress or either House of Congress, or the orderly conduct in that building of a hearing before, or any deliberations of, a committee of Congress or either House of Congress; and (G) parade, demonstrate, or picket in any of the Capitol Buildings.


SA Marissa Taggart
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Attested to by the applicant in accordance with the requirements of Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1 by telephone, this 9th day of March 2021.


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G. MICHAEL HARVEY
U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE