

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CRIMINAL DIVISION

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

v.

SHAWN CRANSTON

No. CP-20-CR-0000227-2024

**COMMONWEALTH'S
MOTION IN LIMINE / NOTICE
OF INTENT TO USE PRIOR
BAD ACTS PURSUANT TO
Pa.R.E. 404(b)**

Filed on Behalf of the
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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AND NOW, comes the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by and through its attorneys, Attorney General David W. Sunday, Jr., Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General Evan Lowry, and Deputy Attorney General Kevin M. Scheibel, and submits this Motion in Limine and in support thereof avers the following:

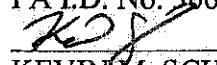
1. Defendant is charged with Criminal Homicide, Criminal Homicide of Unborn Child, Burglary, and Criminal Trespass;
2. Defendant is currently scheduled for the March 2025 trial term;
3. On October 4, 2024, this Honorable Court issued a Scheduling Order with a Motion in Limine filing deadline of February 21, 2025;
4. The Commonwealth hereby gives notice of intent to use prior bad acts pursuant to Pa.R.E. 404(b);
5. Pursuant to Pa.R.E. 404(b), the Commonwealth seeks to call witnesses to discuss Defendant's prior thefts/break-ins and threatening use of firearms to establish defendant's motive, opportunity, intent, preparation, plan, knowledge, identity, absence of mistake, or lack of accident for the present offense.

Respectfully Submitted,

DAVID W. SUNDAY, JR.
ATTORNEY GENERAL

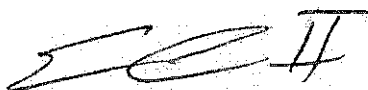
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VERIFICATION

I, Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General Evan Lowry, and Deputy Attorney General Kevin M. Scheibel, the undersigned, do hereby declare that the statements of fact set forth in the foregoing motion are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and are made subject to the penalties related to unsworn falsification to authorities under Section 4904 of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code, 18 Pa. C.S. §4904.



Evan Lowry
Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General

02/21/25

Date



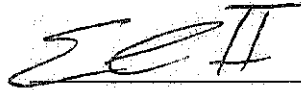
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Deputy Attorney General

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

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



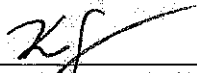
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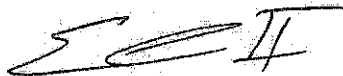
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 21st February, 2025, I have caused a true and correct copy of the Commonwealth's Motion to be sent via PACFile, first class mail, facsimile, email, or hand-delivered to:

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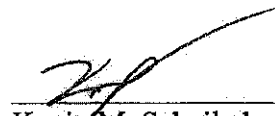
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