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**BRANSON POLICE DEPARTMENT
PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT
REPORT NUMBER: BR-13-19217**

I, **Daniel R. Smithson**, a law enforcement officer with the Branson Police Department, Taney County, Missouri, upon my oath and under penalties of perjury, state as follows:

I have probable cause to believe that **MICHAEL WAYNE BOWMAN** DOB:08/31/1982, SSN: [REDACTED] OCN: [REDACTED], committed the criminal offense(s) of:

Robbery in the First Degree RSMO 569.020 (Class A Felony)

Assault in the First Degree RSMO 565.050 (Class A Felony)

Armed Criminal Action RSMO 571.015

The criminal offenses occurred on or about the **27th of November, 2013** at **3381 Shepherd of the Hills Expressway (Willow Tree Inn) #218**, Taney County, Missouri.

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

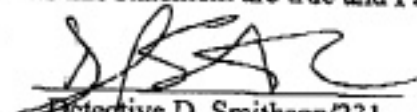
On the above date and location, Michael W. Bowman, committed the offense of Robbery in the First Degree by, being an accomplice acting as the driver of a vehicle which transported suspects to and from a location where suspects forcibly stole property causing serious physical injury to victim, I.G., and the suspects were armed with a deadly weapon (firearm).

On the above date and location, Michael W. Bowman, committed the offense of Assault in the First Degree by, being an accomplice and providing transportation for persons who caused serious physical injury to victim, I.G., during the commission of Robbery in the First Degree.

On the above date and location, Michael W. Bowman, committed the offense of Armed Criminal Action by, being an accomplice and providing transportation for persons who committed Robbery in the First Degree which occurred through the use of a deadly weapon (firearm).

Michael Bowman conspired to commit Robbery in the First Degree of victim, I.G., which was staying at Willow Tree Inn Rm #218. Bowman provided transportation using his 2000 Ford Mustang green in color. Bowman was observed on Taco Bell CCTV which is a neighboring business in his vehicle. The occupants on Bowman's vehicle forcibly entered the room of victim, I.G., with a firearm displayed. The victim sustained serious physical injury due to numerous strikes to his face from the firearm which one person used. The victim sustained numerous facial fractures including two broken orbital bones. The suspects stole currency, electronics, credit cards, a passport and other identification cards owned by the victim.

I hereby state that all facts contained in this statement are true and I am aware that I may be punished by law for any false statements made.


Detective D. Smithson/231

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