

1 On Sunday, June 25th 2018, at approximately 1838 hours, Missoula 911 received
2 a call indicating two males had been shot behind Sentinel High School, located at 901
3 South Avenue, Missoula County, MT. Missoula Police Officer Brian Vreeland arrived on
4 scene near the welding shop on campus, where he observed two males laying on the
5 parking lot pavement. The males were later identified, but will be referred to for the
6 purposes of this warrant as Juvenile 1 and Juvenile 2. Juvenile 1 sustained what
7 appeared to be a single gunshot wound to the left side of his face near the jaw. Juvenile
8 2 sustained what appeared to be a single shot to the left side of his chest.

9 Juvenile 2 indicated to Officer Vreeland the assailant had "tried robbing us," and
10 that he "took our money" and indicated the assailant had fled westbound from their
11 current location. Juvenile 1 and Juvenile 2 were transported to Saint Patrick's Hospital
12 for treatment. Articles of personal property and a trail of blood were on the ground. In
13 the immediate area around where Juvenile 1 and Juvenile 2 were located was a gray
14 Under Armour backpack and a blue and black bag. A black bag was found south of the
15 location and a set of red sweat pants with the logo "Hollister" on them.

16 Juvenile 1 was intubated and was unable to verbally speak but wrote down
17 answers and explanations. Juvenile 1 indicated that he, Juvenile 2 and their assailant
18 were at Sentinel High School on June 25, 2018. Both Juvenile 1 and Juvenile 2
19 indicated they did not know the assailant prior to the shooting. The assailant, later
20 identified as Dylan Curtis Conat, asked Juvenile 1 if he knew where he could get some
21 "molly". Juvenile 1 told Conat he did not, and tried to walk away. Conat then brandished
22 or reached for a gun in his front waistband. Juvenile 1 "punched him in the face," and he

1 and Juvenile 2 “beat [Conat] up”. Conat then retrieved the gun from his waistband and
2 shot four times, with two of the rounds hitting Juvenile 1 and Juvenile 2. Juvenile 1
3 obtained control of the gun and put it in a nearby bush.

4 Police later recovered the handgun which was deep near the center of the bush
5 Juvenile 1 described. The chamber of the pistol, a Glock G42, contained an expended
6 round indicating at least three shots were fired. Upon running the serial number, the
7 pistol was discovered to have been stolen from a vehicle between June 19-20, 2018,
8 from Lolo, Montana.

9 Juvenile 2 indicated that he and Juvenile 1 were at Southgate Mall using Wi-Fi,
10 and began walking towards Sentinel High School. At some point between Southgate
11 Mall and Sentinel High School, Juvenile 1 and Juvenile 2 had met Conat and walked with
12 him. Juvenile 2 described Conat as being white with dark black hair, lanky and skinny,
13 around 5’8”, with two moles on the left side of his face. Juvenile 2 also noted Conat was
14 wearing red sweatpants with black on the side, which matched the sweatpants found at
15 the scene. Juvenile 2 indicated Conat asked Juvenile 2 if he wanted to purchase drugs
16 and he told him no. Once they arrived behind Sentinel High School, Juvenile 2 saw the
17 unknown male swing at Juvenile 1 out of the corner of his eye, at which point Juvenile 1
18 started fighting back. Juvenile 2 reported he did not know who provoked the fight. Conat
19 fell to the ground after being hit by Juvenile 1, at which point Juvenile 2 observed Conat
20 reaching for a gun in his rear waistband. In response, Juvenile 2 began kicking Conat.
21 Conat was able to rise to a knee and shot Juvenile 1 in the face and Juvenile 2 in the
22 chest. Juvenile 2 continued to fight Conat and put him into a “choke hold”, at which point

1 Conat dropped the gun. Juvenile 2 released Conat and Conat ran away.

2 Police spoke with Juvenile 3, who indicated he had spoken with Conat after the
3 shooting. Juvenile 3 indicated Conat told Juvenile 3 that Conat was involved in the
4 incident and had been the one who had shot the males after walking with them and being
5 hit. Conat also told Juvenile 3 that he had obtained the gun by stealing it from the
6 vehicle in Lolo. Juvenile 3 indicated the two other males (Juvenile 1 and Juvenile 2)
7 were associated with Conat through a third party known to both Conat and Juvenile 1
8 and Juvenile 2. Juvenile 3 learned exclusive details of the incident from Conat, and
9 further indicated there was a shared group chat on Snap Chat all the involved parties
10 were a part of.

11 Police also spoke with Juvenile 4, who indicated that based on his communication
12 with the involved parties, he understood that Conat may attempt to flee Montana.

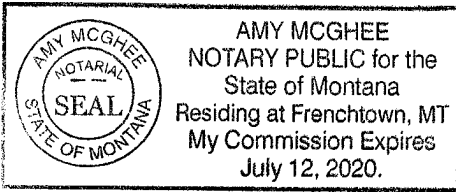
13 On June 27th 2018 a photographical line-up containing the image of Dylan Conat
14 was presented to both Juvenile 1 and Juvenile 2. Both selected Conat as option "Photo
15 number 4 resembles the offender in the case, but I am not positive." The photograph
16 identification scale consists of three scaling confidence options.

17 DATED this 28th day of June, 2018.

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