



Polk County

Winter Haven, FL

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Agency ORI Number
FL0530000

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INCIDENT NUMBER
250047422

 JUVENILE ADULT BOOKING # OBITS#

IN CIRCUIT/COUNTY COURT IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY, FL

SUBMITTING MEMBER **SULLIVAN,RYAN EDWARD** MEMBER # **7508**

DATE /TIME OF ARREST/INCIDENT **11/21/2025 12:50:00**

LOCATION OF INCIDENT **1891 JIM KEENE BLVD WINTER HAVEN**

 NOTICE TO APPEAR COMPLAINT AFFIDAVIT ARREST REPORT

CITY OF **WINTER HAVEN**, COUNTY OF POLK, STATE OF FLORIDA

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RIGHT THUMB PRINT

THE UNDERSIGNED AFFIANT SWEARS SHE/HE HAS JUST AND REASONABLE GROUNDS TO BELIEVE THAT ON **11/21/25** AT APPROXIMATELY **12:50:00** IN THE VICINITY OF **WINTER HAVEN** POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA

EBBESEN,ERIK MICHAEL DAVID ALIAS

LAST FIRST MIDDLE

ADDRESS **AT LARGE BARTOW, FL** PHONE

RACE/SEX **W/M** DOB **6/5/1996** HT **604** WT **235** EYE **BLU** HAIR **BRO** COMP BUILD

SPEECH SCARS POB **UNK, XX** MARITAL STATUS **SINGLE**

DL# **51135206** ST **TX** SS# OCCUPATION

EMPLOYER/SCHOOL **UNKNOWN** PHONE

JUV-PARENTS PHONE n/a

NOTICE TO APPEAR/OF APPOINTMENT

I AGREE TO APPEAR IN COURT/JAC AT _____, FLORIDA ON _____ 20 _____ AT _____ AM/PM TO ANSWER THE CHARGE(S) IN THIS COMPLAINT OR TO PAY THE PRESCRIBED FINE FOR THIS OFFENSE. I UNDERSTAND THAT A WILFUL FAILURE TO APPEAR WILL RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR MY ARREST AND MAY BE A NEW OFFENSE (DO NOT BE LATE).

Defendant/Violators Signature Parent/Guardian Signature Date

COMMITTED THE OFFENSE(S) OF:

<u>Use 2-Way Communic.Device to Commit Felony</u>	FSS/FAC/CO 934.215	Counts: 1	LEVEL/DEGREE F3
<u>Written Threat to Kill or Injure</u>	FSS/FAC/CO 836.10	Counts: 1	LEVEL/DEGREE F2



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CO-DEFENDANT:

VICTIM/WITNESS:

Victim: MOLDOW, KAITLIN MARIE W/F

N/A

PROBABLE CAUSE:

On 11/21/2025, I was contacted by supervision to investigate a potential threat between two parties.

I was provided contact information for a Kaitlin Bennett (now Kaitlin Moldow due to marriage) and was advised that Kaitlin was possibly threatened via social media.

I made contact with Kaitlin via phone, who advised that she was in downtown Lakeland the weekend prior (11/15/2025) interviewing citizens for her own online content. Kaitlin was made aware that her presence was not welcome by some of the businesses in the downtown area as she engaged in political discourse with people at the Lakeland Farmer's Market.

Kaitlin was made aware of an Instagram post by a company called "Lakeland Edge" who expressed their displeasure with Kaitlin doing her "man-on-the-street" videos during the Farmer's Market.

Kaitlin was also made aware of an Instagram user "erikhoudini_" who posted a comment on Lakeland Edge's original post. Kaitlin advised that the comment referenced the recent Charlie Kirk assassination and surprise at the fact that she was still out interviewing people after that assassination occurred.

I was provided a screenshot of the comment which read:

"Hey Kaitlin, Heard you were talking shit, at least it didn't come out of your ass this time. I'm shocked cockroaches like @kait.meow still come out from under the countertops after we sniped Kirk. Lakeland is my city, careful with your mouth."

It should be noted, @kait.meow is Kaitlin's Instagram handle.

Kaitlin advised she visited the suspect's Instagram profile and found that there was a link to houdinimagazine.com. Upon following this link, Kaitlin found a LinkTree with several different websites attributed to the site owner.

Kaitlin advised she followed a link to a Discord channel hosted by a Discord user "erikhoudini#0". Kaitlin advised she noticed "erikhoudini#0" talking about her in the channel and glorifying the Charlie Kirk assassination, as well as expressing his intent to locate Kaitlin at one of her events and to show up and "troll her".

Kaitlin advised that based on the reference to the assassination of Charlie Kirk, as well as the subject "erik houdini" expressing his intent to locate her out in public, that she was in fear that this unknown suspect meant to cause her death or great bodily harm due to her political stance.

Kaitlin also indicated that, due to the statements made by "erik houdini", that she did not feel safe to go out into public, specifically Lakeland, and conduct her normal business of interviews for her social media.

I was able to locate the same Instagram profile as well as the Discord channel and host user that Kaitlin had described.

I drafted and sent a preservation letter to Instagram for the user account "erikhoudini_".

I drafted and sent a preservation letter to Discord for the user account "erikhoudini#0".



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I drafted and sent investigative subpoenas to both Instagram and Discord which were forwarded to both companies for service via their preferred methods.

On 11/26/2025, I responded to Kaitlin's residence and obtained a sworn, recorded statement from her regarding this incident that repeated the prior information Kaitlin provided earlier over the phone.

Kaitlin advised that, due to the comment regarding Charlie Kirk's assassination, and the suspect stating his intent to locate and confront Kaitlin in public, she was in fear that this unknown suspect intended to locate and physically harm her, or possibly kill her for her political beliefs.

On 01/08/2026, Meta Platforms (Instagram) provided a response to my subpoena.

Meta provided the following information for the Instagram account "erikhoudini_":

Name, First: erikhoudini.com

Registered E-mail address: houdinimagazine@gmail.com

Meta did not provide any other valuable user information for this account as the user did not provide a real name, a phone number, or any other identifying information.

On 02/20/2026, Discord provided a response to my subpoena.

Discord provided billing records for the Discord account "erikhoudini#0". Within these records, Discord identified two (2) separate Visa cards both belonging to an Erik Ebbesen.

Two (2) different addresses were listed as the billing addresses for these bank cards:

- 1)1800 E Stanssey Lane #704, Austin TX 78744
- 2)333 Hammond Avenue Apt. #7, San Antonio, TX 78210

Utilizing Law Enforcement databases, I located a possible suspect (Erik Michael David Ebbesen, W/M, 06/05/1996). This suspect was found to have a history of residing at both of the above listed addresses according to this specific database.

Utilizing the Electronic License and Vehicle Information System (ELVIS), I queried the above suspect information. I was able to locate a Texas driver license for Erik Michael David Ebbesen which included a picture of a white male with brown, shoulder length hair and a short beard and moustache. This driver license recorded showed a physical and mailing address for Erik of 333 Hammond Avenue Apt. #7, San Antonio, TX 78210.

I again located the Instagram account "erikhoudini_" and noted that, between 06/28/2025 and 02/02/2026, the user posted several "selfie" styled pictures and videos which depicted a white male with brown, shoulder length hair and a short beard and moustache. All of the pictures/videos posted to this account bore a strong resemblance to the drive license photo for Erik Ebbesen. I also noted that the Texas driver license noted a restriction for driving with corrective lenses. In all of the pictures/videos posted on the "erikhoudini_" Instagram account, the subject is wearing glasses.

While looking through the "erikhoudini_" Instagram account, I noted several posts where Erik is advertising events in the city of Lakeland, specifically at an address on North Massachusetts Avenue in Lakeland. I also located a video, dated 12/03/2025, where Erik is seen filming himself while talking and walking on Massachusetts Avenue in Lakeland. Several other videos were located where Erik is seen filming himself and alleging that ICE agents are currently in Polk County conducting operations.

While speaking with Kaitlin in the beginning of February 2026, she advised that she had been keeping up with suspect Discord account in an effort to determine if Erik had attempted to locate her to confront her. While

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Kaitlin was keeping up with the suspect's Discord account, she asked him where he lived and worked. Kaitlin advised she received a response that the suspect was residing at the Relax Inn off of Lakeland Hills Boulevard in Lakeland and was working at a McDonald's on Memorial Drive in Lakeland.

Based on the above facts, and the original post where the "erikhoudini_" account advised "Lakeland is my city...", It is strongly believed that Erik does, in fact, currently reside in Polk County, specifically the city of Lakeland.

Based on the above, I determined that the owner of the Instagram account "erikhoudini_" is, in fact, Erik Ebbesen. Based on my investigation, I determined Erik violated the following Florida State Statutes:

F.S.S. 836.10 - Written or electronic threats to kill/do bodily injury/conduct mass shooting.

Erik did send, post, or transmit a writing, or electronic record that contained a written threat to kill or do bodily harm to a person in a manner in which it was able to be viewed by Kaitlin. Kaitlin was placed in a well-founded fear that Erik intended to possibly harm, or kill her based on his comment of wanting to confront her and referencing the assassination of a public figure who did the same type of "man-on-the-street" interviews that Kaitlin also does.

F.S.S. 934.215 - Unlawful use of a two-way communications device.

Erik did utilize a two-way communications device to facilitate, or further the commission of any felony offense. It is believed this device is a cell phone, based on Instagram being a popular mobile application, and the fact that Erik posted several videos of himself to his Instagram profile that appear to be from him holding a cell phone towards himself as he speaks.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, THIS 24 DAY OF February 2026

This affidavit was electronically signed

PAUL,JENNA VICTORIA 8990

 DEPUTY CLERK/NOTARY PUBLIC/LEO

SULLIVAN,RYAN EDWARD 7508

 AFFIANT