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STATE OF WISCONSIN	CIRCUIT COURT	FOND DU LAC COUNTY
STATE OF WISCONSIN	Plaintiff,	DA Case No.: 2026FL002769 Assigned DA/ADA: Eric J. Toney Agency Case No.: 26-20978 Court Case No.: ATN: 20002624300044
vs.		
BENJAMIN C. LARSON W4070 Cth Q Fond Du Lac, WI 54937 DOB: 03/13/1979 Sex/Race: M/W Alias: Also Known As Benjamin Carl Larson		CRIMINAL COMPLAINT
Defendant.		
		For Official Use

The undersigned law enforcement officer with Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Office being first duly sworn, states that:

Count 1: FELONY BAIL JUMPING

The above-named defendant on or about Monday, August 31, 2026, in the Town of Taycheedah, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, having been charged with a felony and having been released from custody under Chapter 969 Wis. Stats., did intentionally fail to comply with the terms of his bond, contrary to sec. 946.49(1)(b), 939.50(3)(h) Wis. Stats., a Class H Felony, and upon conviction may be fined not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), or imprisoned not more than six (6) years, or both.

Count 2: OBSTRUCTING AN OFFICER

The above-named defendant on or about Monday, August 31, 2026, in the Town of Taycheedah, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, did knowingly obstruct an officer, while such officer was doing an act in an official capacity and with lawful authority, of interviewing the Defendant, contrary to sec. 946.41(1), 939.51(3)(a) Wis. Stats., a Class A Misdemeanor, and upon conviction may be fined not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), or imprisoned not more than nine (9) months, or both.

Count 3: CONCEALING STOLEN PROPERTY - (> \$2500 - \$5000)

The above-named defendant on or about Friday, August 14, 2026, in the Town of Taycheedah, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, did knowingly conceal stolen property having a value greater than \$2500 but less than \$5000, contrary to sec. 943.34(1)(bf), 939.50(3)(i) Wis. Stats., a Class I Felony, and upon conviction may be fined not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), or imprisoned not more than three (3) years and six (6) months, or both.

Count 4: CONCEALING STOLEN PROPERTY - (> \$2500 - \$5000)

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Count 5: CONCEALING STOLEN PROPERTY - (> \$2500 - \$5000)

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more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), or imprisoned not more than three (3) years and six (6) months, or both.

PROBABLE CAUSE:

- 1) Complainant bases the allegations of this complaint upon the report and investigation of officer(s) Tyler Tikkanen, of the Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Office. Complainant and the officer(s) are reliable as sworn law enforcement officials.
- 2) On Friday August 14, 2026 Detective Tyler Tikkanen of the Fond du lac County Sheriff's Office and other law enforcement officers assisted with the execution of a search warrant at Benjamin C. Larson's residence located at W4070 County Highway Q in Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin related to a Dane County, Wisconsin stalking. The target of the stalking investigation was Benjamin C. Larson, the Defendant.
- 3) The Defendant was later taken into custody by Dane County law enforcement charged with one count of Stalking, a Class I Felony. The stalking charged stemmed from a 13-year period of the Defendant stalking a woman he previously had dated briefly. A Dane County Court Commissioner set a \$15,000 cash bail in the Stalking case, which was later posted by the Defendant.
- 4) A review of the Defendant's prior criminal and juvenile records shows two prior juvenile adjudications in Fond du Lac County, one count of 2nd Degree Sexual Assault of a Child Under 16 years of Age and one count of Child Sexploitation.

SEARCH WARRANT EXECUTION

- 5) During the execution of the search on August 14, 2026, Investigators learned the Defendant resided at the residence with his wife and numerous items related to serial killers and human remains were recovered.

MAIN BASEMENT AREA SEARCH

- 6) During a search of the main portion of the basement of the residence Detective Tikkanen observed arrow heads, pottery, and tools displayed. Detective Tikkanen also observed shrines to nationally known serial killers, including Ed Gein. The Defendant's wife informed Detective Tikkanen that the Defendant was obsessed with Ed Gein.
- 7) In the main portion of the basement Detective Tikkanen also observed a coffin with a glass top. Inside the coffin was what appeared to be human skeletal remains making up a nearly full body. Detective Tikkanen also observed a mummified set of what appeared to be fake human remains made of plastic but had features making it appear real.

SECURED AREA OF THE BASEMENT SEARCH AND DISCOVERY OF HUMAN REMAINS/SKULLS

- 8) Detective Tikkanen observed a portion of the basement was walled off with crudely assembled plywood with a makeshift door secured by a combination lock. Detective Tikkanen forced entry to the secured area with a halogen tool. Once inside the room Detective Tikkanen observed photographs of different naked woman all over the walls, a bed with a large naked woman picture on the ceiling mounted directly above the bed. On the bed there was a life size sex doll with a red-haired wig, a spiked necklace/dog collar and the sex doll was tucked in, as if sleeping.
- 9) Detective Tikkanen observed an altar with candles, glass bottles, jars, bones, and knives. He also observed a leather-bound book along the west wall. Along that same west wall Detective Tikkanen observed a high mounted shelf with six different human skulls on the shelf. The skulls were in different condition with some completely intact and others severely damaged. The shelf also contained two long human bones fashioned into a cross with candles.
- 10) Detective Tikkanen also observed mounted on the wall a piece of a human skull and on a shelf even higher, there was another human skull with candles and pictures.

- 11) Detective Tikkanen continued to search the bedroom area of the basement and including a set of drawers along the west wall. In the drawers he located binders with information about the Victim in the Dane County Stalking case and other women. The binders had small jars labeled with different names on them and had locks consistent with human hair associated with the different women.
- 12) In the same bedroom area of the basement a Sentry Fire Safe box was located. The box had the Defendant's initials "BCL" and said not to open but upon his death to bury with the Defendant's ashes. The box was forced open and inside documents regarding different women were located, including nude photos of the women with different hand written notes written about them underneath each photo.
- 13) Detective Tikkanen continued his search of the bedroom area of the basement and along the north wall was a shelf with additional binders of information on women that the Defendant may have dated in the past. The binders related to their relationship and encounters, including a binder with different printed text communications between them.
- 14) In the same area as the binders along the north wall Detective Tikkanen located binders that contained information about historical murders and killings, including some within Fond du lac County. The binders had graphic crime scene and autopsy photographs. Detective Tikkanen also observed along the west wall a lantern style container hanging from a shelf. The lantern had a photo of a victim from an early 1990's homicide that occurred in Fond du Lac County. Inside the lantern it contained what appeared to be dirt and grass particles that Detective Tikkanen believed could have come from the scene of where that Victim was recovered.
- 15) Madison Police assisted with the execution of the search warrant and located various items related to the Victim in their stalking investigation, including a painting of a nude woman that appeared to match the description of the Stalking Victim. Madison Police also located a clay sculpted head that resembled the Stalking Victim. Investigators also located books related to stalking, private investigation and police tactics for locating people and things.
- 16) Detective Tikkanen also located various stickers similar to what law enforcement agencies to mark and label evidence. Detective Tikkanen also noted there was jar containing castor beans labeled "Ricin." Detective Tikkanen is aware that is legal possess castor beans and is having the contents tested to verify the contents.

INTERVIEW WITH THE DEFENDANT'S WIFE

- 17) Detective Tikkanen spoke with Jessica Green, the Defendant's Wife. She stated she has lived with the Defendant since they were 18 years old and have been married since 2006 and have lived at the current location since 2008. She stated she was aware of the bones and skulls but wasn't positive where they all came from. She also stated that she knew the human remains found in the casket were not all from the same person because the skeleton was incomplete when the Defendant received them. She also stated the Defendant is a "big fan" of different poisons.

INTERVIEW WITH DEFENDANT'S MOTHER

- 18) During the execution of the search warrant the Defendant's mother, Sarah Larson arrived. The Defendant's mother was only able to provide an explanation for set of human remains in the glass coffin, stating that it came from the Defendant's great-great-Grandfather, who was a physician. She was unable to provide an explanation for any of the other human remains recovered.

FOND DU LAC COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE

- 19) Detective Tikkanen requested assistance from the Fond du Lac County Medical Examiner's Office and Investigator Molly Roffers-Susa arrived. Investigator Roffers-Susa believed the human remains were real and not anatomical teaching specimens.

DOCTOR JORDAN KARSTEN

- 20) Based on the nature of the human evidence and human remains collected from the residence Detective Tikkanen began consulting with Doctor Jordan Karsten regarding the items based on her expertise in this area. Dr. Karsten stated that if skeletal remains were for anatomical teaching specimens they would be bleached and have a clean appearance and be in good condition. The remains located by Detective Tikkanen and other investigators were not bleached and did not match the description for anatomical teaching.
- 21) Dr. Karsten also believe that the human remains recovered from the Defendant's residence were likely obtained illegally because human remains would not be sold through proper legal channels in the conditions observed by investigators.
- 22) On August 18, 2026 Detective Tikkanen provided some of the items recovered during the search warrant to Dr. Karsten's forensic lab to evaluate, which included:
- Item #1 - SKULL TOP SHELF 1 FROM LEFT
 - Item #2 - SKULL TOP SHELF 2 FROM LEFT
 - Item #3 - SKULL TOP SHELF 3 FROM LEFT
 - Item #4 - SKULL TOP SHELF 4 FROM LEFT
 - Item #5 - SKULL WALL MOUNT
 - Item #6 - MISC BONES ALTAR IN BEDROOM
 - Item #9 - FULL SET OF BONES COFFIN DISPLAY
- 23) Dr. Karsten spoke with Detective Tikkanen after evaluating the human remains provided to her from the Defendant's residence. Dr. Karsten advised that three of the skulls were determined to be archeological Native American remains. He stated the remaining skulls would require further evaluation and testing. Dr. Karsten also advised that a femur and humerus collected from the Defendant's residence appeared to have soft tissue and bodily type substances still present on them. Dr. Karsten believed these human remains were much more modern and could not be archeological Native American remains. Dr. Karsten also identified a tooth within one of the skulls that appeared to have a modern filling and that would require further evaluation.
- 24) Dr. Karsten also advised that a human femur bone recovered showed signs of having been cut or damaged with a handsaw. Dr. Karsten also advised that the Defendant had been in contact with him by email in January of 2026 asking for a ground penetrating radar to be used at his property to find unmarked graves. The Defendant didn't respond when Dr. Karsten advised there would be a cost associated with the Defendant's request.

DEFENDANT'S PURPORTED LIST OF WHERE HUMAN REMAINS CAME FROME

- 25) Detective Tikkanen was provided a list by Defendant's attorney on August 26, 2026 that purported to list how the Defendant obtained the various human remains recovered from the Defendant's residence. Detective Tikkanen observed the list provided to him generally did not provide specific invoices, purchases or prices. Detective Tikkanen began following up with various businesses from the list.
- 26) Skulls unlimited was located on the list and Detective Tikkanen received a response that they have no record of the Defendant purchasing anything from them or as any type of customer. They noted their database covered the time the Defendant claimed to have purchased from them.
- 27) Blood Moon Oddities was located on the list and Detective Tikkanen was informed by them that would not have sold items to the Defendant because they were not allowed to sell human remains at the event the Defendant claimed to have purchased them at in 2024.
- 28) Ear Wax was located on the list and Detective Tikkanen noted the business was not on State Street as the Defendant claimed and it appeared to a punk rock and heavy metal record and music shop with no publicly available information related to human remains.

- 29) The Bone Room was located on the list, and it permanently closed in 2016. Detective Tikkanen was informed their records went back to 2015 and there was no record of the Defendant purchasing anything from the Bone Room.
- 30) Tiger Tiger Beads LLC was also on the list and confirmed shipping 15 items to the Defendant, but they were bone rosaries and individual bone beads primarily intended for Buddhist religious practice.
- 31) Detective Tikkanen also spoke with the property owner on Abler Road in Fond du Lac County that Defendant claimed gifted him human remains. The property owner described believing the Defendant was "weird" that there not human remains items "gifted" to the Defendant.

WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY RECORDS

- 32) Detective Tikkanen reviewed Wisconsin Historical Society records related to Native American human remains previously located by the Defendant. The records summarized human remains previously located by the Defendant in the early 1990s which were then turned over to the Historical Society. The records reflect the Defendant's efforts to obtain the human remains back from the Historical Society and claiming to have tribal lineage in his family. The Historical Society refused to return the Native American human remains and noted they had been returned to the Tribe to be reburied on Tribal land.

DEFENDANT'S CELLPHONE

- 33) Detective Tikkanen was informed by Madison Police that they found messages during a search of the Defendant's phone where the Defendant described cutting through human bones. The Defendant's phone also showed a photo of the Defendant from April of 2016 which appeared to be at a burial site. The photo was labeled "burvisit" and appeared related to prior human remains turned over to the Wisconsin Historical Society by the Defendant and were reburied by the Potawatomi Tribe on tribal land.

INTERVIEW OF THE DEFENDANT AUGUST 31, 2026

- 34) On Monday August 31, 2026, Detective Tikkanen met with the Defendant and his attorney at his attorney's law office located in the City and County of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. During the interview the Defendant confirmed he is not an active member of any Tribal Nation, and no members of his family were affiliated or documented as Tribal Nation members.
- 35) The Defendant advised he graduated from high school and does not have any type of degree or schooling in anthropology or archeology, as well as no affiliation with the Wisconsin Historical Society.
- 36) The Defendant had a printed copy of the list previously provided to Detective Tikkanen but the Defendant's attorney. The Defendant confirmed he typed that inventory list and was the source of it.
- 37) The Defendant stated the coffin with human remains was located in his grandparent's attic and was only a partial set of human remains. The Defendant stated the crown of that skull was made of plastic, and the rest was bought from a shop called "Ear Wax" in Madison, Wisconsin. Detective Tikkanen confronted the Defendant about the shop being closed and having been a records store. The Defendant did not have any documentation for the skull he claimed to have purchased from Ear Wax.
- 38) The Defendant claimed the leg bones from the skeletal remains in the coffin were purchased by him from the Bone Room and provided some documentation from the Bone Room. Detective Tikkanen noted that documentation was not a receipt or purchase order and simply listed different prices for materials and a letter from an employee about items the Defendant had been inquiring about. No sales receipt or other documentation from that purchase was provided.
- 39) The Defendant claimed to have purchased human remains from "Blood Moon Oddities" in 2024 at a shown in Milwaukee. Detective Tikkanen noted the Defendant provided no purchase records or other proof and was in contradiction from what Detective Tikkanen learned from Blood Moon Oddities that the Defendant could not have purchased human remains at the 2024 show in Milwaukee.

- 40) The Defendant provided a sales receipt and purchases he made from Skulls Unlimited and Tiger Tiger Beads LLC. Those receipts only accounted for skull beads and six bones from a human hand and fingers.
- 41) The Defendant claimed one skull was a gift to him from a family on Abler Road in Fond du Lac County. The Defendant claimed his family had had the skull since he was child and provided a photo of a much younger looking version of the Defendant holding a skull, which the Defendant thought was 1991.
- 42) Detective Tikkanen informed the Defendant that the documentation didn't account for the number of skulls removed from his residence on August 14, 2026. The Defendant acknowledged the number of skulls investigators found on his property and changed his story. The Defendant now claimed human skulls were located with the human remains provided to him as family heirlooms. Detective Tikkanen noted that was different than the Defendant told him earlier in the interview.
- 43) Detective Tikkanen also noted that a photo of the Defendant with the skeletal remains from the casket showed only a partial skull the Defendant claimed to have purchased from Ear Wax. Detective Tikkanen noted that if the Defendant had received the two skulls as family heirlooms there would have been no reason for the Defendant to attempt to purchase a human skull to add to the casket of human remains.
- 44) Detective Tikkanen confronted the Defendant about two of the bones having what appeared to be soft tissue on them and the Defendant claimed to have purchased them and denied any knowledge of how to use the Dark Web. Detective Tikkanen informed the Defendant that the two skulls the Defendant now claimed were family heirlooms were not part of the photographs the Defendant showed Detective Tikkanen earlier in the interview from the binder that contained his collection of family heirlooms.
- 45) Detective Tikkanen also informed the Defendant that neither his wife nor mother shared that the skulls were family heirlooms or connected to the coffin containing human remains.
- 46) Detective Tikkanen spoke with the Defendant about human remains found on his property in 1992 that were turned over to the Wisconsin Historical Society and determined to be Native American human remains. The Defendant said that he learned where those human remains had been reburied and claimed the Historical Society shared the location with him. Detective Tikkanen had previously reviewed those records, and it was clear the Historical Society had not provided the location to the Defendant.
- 47) The Defendant claimed he found the remains on buried on "Potawatomi Community land in Fond du Lac County." The Defendant stated that he went to the Tribal land with his mother "to pay respects" to the remains he had previously found. The Defendant admitted to digging "slightly" into the ground at the site claiming to have buried artifacts and ceremonial remains. After the conclusion of the interview Detective Tikkanen took the Defendant into custody.

VALUATION OF SKULLS

- 48) Detective Tikkanen researched the cost of purchasing human remains and found medical anatomical skull specimens could be purchased from \$2,500 to 4,000 and believed the value of each Native American skull exceeds \$2,500 in value. Detective

BAIL JUMPING

- 49) Complainant is aware that Defendant was charged with one felony count of Stalking in Dane County Case No. 2026CF1754. The bond conditions were set on August 18, 2026, which were active on August 31, 2026, and include a standard bond condition that the Defendant does not commit any new crimes.
- 50) Detective Tikkanen also found no legal avenue for the Defendant to have obtained the three Native American skulls and human remains, with the possible exception of one found on Abler Road and believes the three Native American skulls to have been illegally obtained or stolen. Additionally Detective Tikkanen found no evidence that the Defendant purchased the Native American skulls, or human remains from the internet and believes the Defendant to be in possession of stolen human remains.

Based on the foregoing, the complainant believes this complaint to be true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 09/02/26

Electronically Signed By:

Spencer Pedretti

Assistant District Attorney

State Bar #: 1148448

Electronically Signed By:

Detective T. Tikkanen #139

Complainant