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SAN LUIS OBISPO SUPERIOR COURT
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☐ DV Case
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Plaintiff,

vs.

LAURIE LEE BRYANT
DOB: 10/22/1962
ID NO. D000022652
CII: A31617666

Defendant.

COURT CASE NO. **25F-00877**
COMPLAINT

DA CASE NO. 079-706484

Appearance Date:

The District Attorney of San Luis Obispo County, California, hereby accuses the
above-named defendant of the following criminal offenses:

Count 1

On or about August 16, 2024, in the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, the
crime of Cruelty To An Animal in violation of Penal Code Section 597(b), a Felony, was
committed in that LAURIE LEE BRYANT did unlawfully torture, torment, deprive of
necessary sustenance, drink, or shelter, or cruelly kill an animal, or cause an animal to be
so, tortured, tormented, deprived of necessary sustenance, drink, shelter, or to be

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1 mutilated, or cruelly killed; and who, having the charge or custody of an animal, either as
2 owner or otherwise, subject an animal to needless suffering, or inflict unnecessary cruelty
3 upon the animal, or in any manner abuse an animal, or fail to provide the animal with
4 proper food, drink, or shelter, or protection from the weather.

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12 owner or otherwise, subject an animal to needless suffering, or inflict unnecessary cruelty
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It is further alleged pursuant to Penal Code Section 1170(b)(2) that one or more of the following factors in aggravation listed in California Rule of Court 4.421 may apply to the defendant(s) or to conduct of the defendant(s):

4.421(a)(1) The crime involved great violence, great bodily harm, threat of great bodily harm, and other acts disclosing a high degree of cruelty, viciousness and callousness.

4.421(a)(3) The victim was particularly vulnerable.

4.421(a)(7) The defendant is charged with other crimes for which consecutive sentences can be imposed but for which concurrent sentences shall be imposed.

4.421(a)(8) The manner in which the crime was carried out indicates planning, sophistication, and professionalism.

4.421(a)(11) The defendant took advantage of a position of trust and confidence to commit the offense.

4.421(b)(2) The defendant's prior convictions as an adult and sustained petitions in juvenile delinquency proceedings are numerous and of increasing seriousness.

4.421(b)(5) The defendant's prior performance on probation, mandatory supervision, post release community supervision, and parole was unsatisfactory.

1 All of which is contrary to the statute in such cases made and provided, and against
2 the peace and dignity of the People of the State of California.

3 I declare that an investigation has been conducted to determine if said Defendant
4 did commit the stated crime, which reports are attached hereto and incorporated herein
5 by reference, and that the facts therein show probable cause that the said Defendant
6 did commit the crime. Your declarant requests the issuance of a Warrant of Arrest
7 either if said Defendant does not appear voluntarily in response to an appearance letter,
8 or if no appearance letter was issued.

9 **Discovery Request:** Pursuant to Penal Code Section 1054.5(b), the People are
10 hereby informally requesting that defense counsel provide discovery to the people as
11 required by Penal Code Section 1054.3.

12 On this day January 27, 2025, in the County of San Luis Obispo, I certify and
13 declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

14 Dated: February 10, 2025

15 DAN DOW
16 DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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19 By: 
20 KRISTOFER S BAUGHMAN
DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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22 Upon review of the reports attached and incorporated herein by reference, I find sufficient
23 probable cause to warrant the defendant(s) continued detention.

24 Dated: _____
25 Judge of the Superior Court

SUMMARY PAGE

Cnt	Charge	Range	Defendant(s)	Special Allegation	Effect
1	PC597(b)		Laurie Lee Bryant		
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