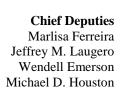


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PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

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Date: March 18, 2021 Re: Joseph Anthony Lamantia Charges filed in shooting death of Trevor Seever

Birgit Fladager

District Attorney

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that criminal charges have been filed today against former Modesto Police Officer Joseph Lamantia stemming from the December 29, 2020, shooting death of Trevor Seever.

A criminal complaint was filed in Stanislaus County Superior Court charging Lamantia with one count of Voluntary Manslaughter, a violation of Penal Code §192(a) of the California Penal Code. This charge carries a possible penalty of 3, 6 or 11 years in state prison.

Lamantia appeared in court before Judge Jeffrey Mangar this afternoon to be arraigned. Lamantia, through his attorneys David Garcia and Eric Acevedo, entered a not guilty plea to the single count in the complaint. Judge Mangar ordered Lamantia remanded into custody. Bail was set at the bail schedule amount of \$100,000.

The next court date in the case is June 17th in Department 5 at 8:30 a.m.

No press conference or interviews are being conducted by this office. All statements regarding the facts of the case will be reserved for the courtroom at the appropriate date and time. The public is reminded that the filing of criminal charges are allegations only and all defendants are to be considered innocent until proven otherwise in a court of law.

For further information regarding Lamantia's status as a police officer, please refer to this afternoon's press release by the Modesto Police Department.

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STANISLAUS COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT STATE OF CALIFORNIA

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

vs.

JOSEPH ANTHONY LAMANTIA CR21002254 (DOB: 10/18/1985) (AT: LARGE)

DEFENDANT(S)

No. 955118

MPD MP20034738

COMPLAINT -- CRIMINAL

State of California) County of Stanislaus) ss.

The undersigned, complains and alleges, upon information and belief, that said defendant(s) did commit the following crime(s) in the County of Stanislaus, State of California.

On or about December 29th, 2020, defendant(s) did commit a felony, VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER, a violation of Section 192(a) of the California Penal Code, in that the defendant(s) did willfully, unlawfully, feloniously, and without malice kill **TREVOR SEEVER**, a human being, upon a sudden guarrel and heat of passion.

NOTICE: The above offense is a serious felony within the meaning of Penal Code Section 1192.7(c).

NOTICE: It is further alleged, pursuant to Penal Code Section 1170(h)(3) and 1170(f) that the defendant **JOSEPH ANTHONY LAMANTIA**, is not eligible to be sentenced to a term of imprisonment in the county jail on an executed sentence. This allegation is not subject to dismissal pursuant to Penal Code Section 1385.

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

I certify under penalty of perjury, at Modesto, California, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated:	 _3/18/2021	

David P. Harris

Complainant

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