

IN THE CIRCUIT/COUNTY COURT IN THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR
 MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

WARRANT/OTTIC SERVED

MONROE COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE

REPORT NO: MCSO20ARR001877

Jail Booking No	Offense No MCSO19OFF007669	Other No MCSO19CAD142856	OBTS
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[SUSPECT]

Last First Middle Title Race Sex DOB Age Hgt Wgt
BOUNDS **ADAM** **BRUCE** **W M 4/10/1977** **43 5'10" 160**
Eyes Hair MNI Number SSN I.D. No. St Type OCA/Agency ID
BRO BAL MCSO16MNI011236 **[REDACTED]** **B532002771300** **FL**

Birth Location: City: SPRINGFIELD County: SANGAMON State: ILLINOIS Nation: UNITED STATES Citizenship: UNITED STATES

Address

OCEANSIDE OFF COW KEY (BOAT) KEY WEST FL 33040

Occupations (Current/Last Known is Listed First)

Business: ONE CALL CONST, Job Title: GENERAL CONTRACTOR, Entered: 5/3/2019

Business: UNEMPLOYED, Job Title: NONE, Entered: 10/9/2017

Suite: KEY WEST FL 33040

Business: CATAMARAN BOAT YARD, Job Title: , Phone: (305)852-2025 Entered: 6/22/2016

97951 OVERSEAS HWY KEY LARGO FL 33037

Aliases (Last, First Middle Title DOB)

Street Names

* none found in MNI *

[INCIDENT INFORMATION]

Occurred Date Range: 10/15/2019 11:17 to 10/15/2019 16:00 Lat / Long
 No. Di Street Apt/Lot City ST Zip (GEO)
 COW KEY CHANNEL STOCK ISLAND FL 33043 1 - 1 - 0200 -

[CHARGES]

784.07.2c

ASSAULT

ON OFFICER FIREFIGHTER EMT ETC

<u>Counts</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>GOC</u>	<u>UCR</u>	<u>NCIC</u>	<u>AON</u>	<u>Bond Amount</u>
1	Felony	Second	Principal	9000		1399	\$25,000.00

806.01.1

ARSON

1ST DEGREE DWELLING BUILDING PEOPLE PRESENT

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1	Felony	First	Attempt	9000		2099	\$50,000.00

[STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE / NARRATIVE]

WILL EXTRADITE EASTERN USA ONLY

REF ASSAULT ON OFFICER FIREFIGHTER EMT ETC BOND \$25,000

CT2 ARSON 1ST DEGREE DWELLING BUILDING PEOPLE PRESENT (ATTEMPTED) BOND \$50,000

TOTAL BOND \$75,000

5/21/2020 ENTERED NCIC

NATIONAL EMERGENCY COVID 19

05/21/2020 SUBJ IN CUSTODY LEE CO-PEGGY

05/22/2020 PER PHONE CONVERSATION SUBJ BEING HELD ON OUR CHARGES ONLY EMAILED
TRANSPORTATION-PEGGY

05/29/2020 PER TELETYPE FROM LEE CO SUBJ NO LONGER READY FOR PICK UP RECEIVED A NEW
CHARGE IN LEE CO. FAXED TRANSPORTATION-PEGGY

06/10/2020 SUBJ BONDED (06/08/2020) ALL OUT BAIL BONDS PWR#AS50K90993 & AS30K138633-PEGGY

On October 15, 2019, at approximately 10:55am, Adam Bruce Bounds (suspect) called the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (hereinafter referred to as FWC) Inspector General in Tallahassee and spoke with Inspector Specialist Isabelle Ghini. Bounds was upset because of his legal troubles with FWC, including a recent citation he had received from FWC Officer Sizemore who works in the Florida Keys. Bounds missed the court date for that citation and was aware that a warrant had been issued for his arrest. Bounds stated that he wanted to harm himself. He said that he wanted to run in front of a bus and would rather die than go back to jail. He also mentioned that his girlfriend left him today and that he had been diagnosed with bipolar disorder, but did not believe in taking medication. During the call, Bounds' emotions were a mixture of anger, calmness and sadness. At times, he even began sobbing. Bounds would not provide Ghini with his location. Based on their conversation, Ghini felt that Bounds was serious about committing suicide. Ghini relayed this information to FWC Major Meaney, who advised Ghini to keep Bounds on the phone until they could "ping" his location. Monroe County Sheriff's Office (hereinafter referred to as MCSO) dispatch was contacted and "pinged" the number Bounds used to call - (305) 928-0854. The "ping" revealed that his location was in the area of the Cow Key Channel.

This information was passed on to FWC Captain David Dipre, who is a 25 year veteran with FWC and has spent his entire career working in the Florida Keys. Dipre, in turn, contacted several of his officers for assistance, including FWC Officer Glen Way. Way told Dipre that he was familiar with Bounds' residence, which was on a houseboat anchored off of Cow Key Channel.

Before responding, Dipre contacted MCSO dispatch and had them "ping" the Bounds' phone number a second time to confirm Bounds' location. Metro PCS responded that the phone was still in the area of Cow Key Channel. Because of that information, Dipre strongly believed that Bounds was on his houseboat.

FWC Officers Way, Andy Cox, John Hettel, and Marty Messier responded to assist Dipre with the welfare check of Bounds. MCSO Deputies Freddy Rodriguez and Thomas Fricke also responded. All officers were wearing their agency issued uniforms. The officers responded to the area of Bounds' houseboat via two separately marked FWC boats. Dipre, Hettel and Cox were on one boat and Way, Messier, Fricke and Rodriguez were on another. Once there, both FWC boats had visual contact with Bounds' houseboat.

Bounds' houseboat can be best described as two pontoon boats secured together. One of the pontoon boats has two enclosed wooden structures on it that are attached together. This appears to be the sleeping/living quarters. On one side are the words "4th Amendment" written in large letters as well as the registration numbers "FL2674GH". Those registration numbers return to a 24 foot vessel, which is owned by Bounds. On the front side of the wooden structure is a sliding glass door, which leads out onto the second pontoon boat, which appears to be an open air deck/patio area. On the port side of this second boat are the registration numbers "FL8083LK" which return to a 24 foot vessel also owned by Bounds. On the port side, between both vessels, is a small floating dock which has several paddle boards on it.

Multiple attempts were made to contact Bounds. Rodriguez attempted to call Bounds' phone number using Dipre's cell phone, but no one answered. The Public Announcement System (hereinafter referred to as PA System) of one of the FWC boats was also used to announce their presence; however, no one responded or exited the houseboat. The officers also attempted to visually locate Bounds using binoculars, but all the windows and sliding glass doors on the houseboat had some sort of covering on them. The officers could not see into the boat or any movement onboard.

Dipre decided to board Bounds' houseboat because multiple attempts to contact him had been unsuccessful and Bounds had threatened to harm himself earlier that day. Dipre and Rodriguez boarded Bounds' houseboat while the other officers remained on the FWC boats. Dipre stood in front of the sliding glass doors and Rodriguez was to the right of the doors, standing on the floating dock. Both knocked multiple times on the sliding glass door announcing their presence. There was no response from Bounds or any movement from inside the boat. Messier boarded and took a cover position on the starboard side of the bow of the deck/patio pontoon boat.

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Fearing even more for Bounds' safety, Dipre tried opening the sliding glass door to gain access to the houseboat, but it was locked. Fricke boarded Bounds' houseboat with two screwdrivers, handing Dipre one of them. Together, they were able to pry open the sliding glass door. Once the door was open, there was a black curtain which prevented Dipre from seeing further inside the vessel. Fricke pulled the curtain to one side and Dipre saw Bounds approaching him while yelling, "Get the fuck out. I have gasoline and will blow this whole place to hell." Bounds had both hands above his head. In one hand he held a red, multi-gallon gas container (6 gallon). Dipre said Bounds was actively pouring gasoline all over himself and the cabin floor, while holding a "BIC"-style lighter in his other hand. When Bounds lit the lighter, Dipre yelled at Bounds to "Get back."

At this time, three officers were physically on Bounds' vessel (patio/deck area) and the fourth officer, Rodriguez, was on the floating dock, right next to the boat. On this patio/deck area was a propane tank connected to a grill, a gas generator, and other combustible items. Dipre was the closest officer and the only officer who had a clear, unobstructed view of what Bounds' actions were.

Based on his training and experience, Dipre believed all four officers' lives were in immediate danger. Dipre believed that even if Bounds only lit himself on fire, it would instantly spread due to the fact that the gasoline was running off of his body and pooling on the floor. In addition to the other combustible items onboard, the gasoline fumes were being contained inside Bounds' houseboat creating the possibility of an explosion. Dipre felt that if an explosion occurred, everything on the boat would become shrapnel. Dipre believed that the lighter had to go out so he gave loud verbal commands for Bounds to get back and put the lighter down. Bounds did not and Dipre fired his service weapon three times, striking Bounds at approximately 1:08 p.m. Dipre estimated that he was approximately five feet away from Bounds at this point.

Fricke was standing by the sliding glass door, holding the black curtain back, so Dipre could have an unobstructed view. From Fricke's position, he could not see Bounds holding the lighter, but he could see Bounds with the red gas can, pouring gasoline all over himself and the floor. Fricke could also smell a strong odor of gasoline. He remembers Bounds making the statements, "Get the fuck off my boat. I'll blow us all up" followed by Dipre telling Bounds to, "Put the lighter down. Put the lighter down". When Dipre yelled, "Retreat. Retreat," Fricke let go of the curtain and Dipre fired his weapon.

Rodriguez was positioned to the right of Fricke and was standing on the floating dock. He could not see Bounds from this location, but heard Bounds saying, "I'm going to blow us all up. You are trespassing on my boat." Rodriguez also heard Dipre say, "Drop the lighter. Drop the gas can." Then he saw Dipre fire his weapon.

Messier was on the starboard side of the bow. Although he could not see Bounds' face when the black curtain was pulled to the side, he saw someone with a gas can above their body with liquid coming out. Messier remembers hearing Dipre say, "Put it down. Don't do it. Put it down. Don't do it." He then heard three gunshots.

Bounds fell to the floor and was immediately secured in handcuffs. He was then rushed to shore, where Key West Rescue transported Bounds to the hospital.

Although a total of seven law enforcement officers were on scene at the time, only four were wearing body cameras – Messier, Cox, Hettel and Way. Dipre, Rodriguez, and Fricke wear not wearing body cameras. Due to the varying locations and positions of the officers, each body camera (and microphone) picks up something different. There is no footage of Bounds' actions or the subsequent shooting.

On Messier's body camera, you can hear Rodriguez leaving Bounds a voice message that officers were there to assist him (Bounds) in any way possible (12:43 p.m.). On Messier's and Way's body cameras, you can then hear Rodriguez using the PA System to let Bounds know that they were there to help him due to the fact that Bounds had made suicidal statements earlier in the day (12:48 p.m. and 12:50 p.m.). On Messier's and Way's body cameras, you can hear Dipre and Rodriguez knocking on Bounds' vessel, and on all four cameras you can hear both men announcing "FWC. Sheriff's Office" (1:04 p.m.).

On Messier's body camera you can hear the following statements leading up to the shooting starting around

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1:08:45 p.m. "Sheriff's Office. Sheriff's Office." "Get the fuck out of here." "Get back. Get back." "Get down. Get down." "I'm going to shoot you." "Get down man. Don't do it." "Get the fuck off my boat. You guys are trespassing." "Get down. Get down." "He's soaking himself in gas."

On Cox's body camera, it's difficult to hear over the wind but you can hear, "Get the fuck out of here" followed by "Get back. Get back." (1:08:37 p.m.). A few seconds later you can hear "Get down. Don't do it. Get back. Get back." The three gunshots can be heard at approximately 1:08:49 p.m.

On all four body cameras can you hear the three gunshots (right before 1:09 p.m.). Once back at the dock and while awaiting for Key West Rescue to arrive, Messier's and Cox's body cameras capture Bounds making the following statement: "I wasn't going to set myself on fire. I wasn't. I really wasn't. I just wanted you to leave me alone. I was scared." (1:16 p.m.)

MCSO Crime Scene Investigator John Underwood processed the houseboat and collected two "BIC"-style lighters as well as a six-gallon gasoline container missing approximately one gallon of gasoline. Dipre and Fricke's clothes were also collected due to having blood and gasoline on them.

On 10/23/2019, Adam Bounds was interviewed by Florida Department of Law Enforcement Special Agent Andrew Kempel. During the interview, Bounds admitted that he contacted the FWC Inspector General in Tallahassee to make a complaint, but that he does not remember making any other comments. He said the call taker asked him if he was going to harm himself and he said no, and that he refused to provide his location. Bounds said that he vaguely remembers the phone call and after he hung up, he stayed on his boat and went to sleep. Bounds said that he is a heavy sleeper and did not remember any of the officers trying to make contact with him; whether it be by phone, by hailing, or by pounding on his door. Bounds said that he awoke to the sound of his door being pried open, so he got out of bed and approached the door, but doesn't remember what happened next, except that he was shot. He said he did not have time to say anything and that he doesn't remember pouring gas on himself; however, he recalls hearing one of the officers say something about gas and a lighter. Bounds said he thought the incident occurred at 7 o'clock in the morning. Bounds confirmed there are no cameras on his houseboat.

Through reviewing Adam Bounds' phone records, Kempel discovered that Bounds and an individual named Jennifer Cabarga had texted one another on 10/15/2019 (the day of the incident) at the same time the officers were attempting to make contact with him. Bounds specifically indicated in a text to Cabarga that "FWC is at my boat now." That text was at 12:41 pm. Bounds' phone records also show that he received three phone calls from Dipre's cell phone at approximately 12:42 pm, 12:44 pm, and 12:50 pm.

All these events occurred in Monroe County.

Bounds did violate F.S.S. 806.01.1 and 777.04(1) (Attempted Arson) by willfully and unlawfully attempting to light himself, Captain Dipre and/or his houseboat on fire, by pouring gasoline over his head and letting it run off his body and onto the floor of the houseboat, while simultaneously lighting a lighter. Bounds did an act towards the commission of Arson but was prevented from doing so.

Bounds did violate F.S.S. 784.07.2c (Aggravated Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer) by intentionally and unlawfully threatening Captain Dipre, by pouring gasoline all over his body, while simultaneously lighting a lighter and saying that he was going to blow everyone up. This act created a well founded fear in the mind of Captain Dipre that Bounds was either going to light them and/or the houseboat on fire and/or cause a deadly explosion.

Signature (Arresting Officer)

OTHER,
Name

OTH
ID/SSN

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Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this 16 day of June A.D., 2020 by _____

who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Signature _____ Notary Public _____ LEO _____ CO

Commission No: _____ My Commission Expires _____

Supervisor Signature _____ Date _____ Supervisor Name (Please Print) _____ Rank _____

[PHYSICAL EVIDENCE] [NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE LISTED]

[ARREST INFORMATION]

Arrested	Residency	Injured	Extent of Injury	Resist
6/10/2020 12:23				
		Arrested Prior	Arrest Jurisdiction	Alcohol
				Drugs
No.	Di Street	A/L	City	ST Zip
				Lat / Long
Arresting Officer		Unit	(GEO) - - -	Officer Type
OTH OTHER,				
Reporting Officer		Unit		Original Offense Jurisdiction
S154 GABAY, JOHN		MCSO\DIST 1 CIU		MCSO
Forward to for approval				
MCSO\DIST 1 CIU				

Bond Set by LEO at Time of Arrest & Booking: \$0.00

- None
- ROR
- Cash
- Pro

Bond Set by Judge None ROR/Sign
\$75,000.00 Cash PTR
 Any
 Pro
 PtrIQ

Purge _____
 SC _____

Return Court: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Instructions: _____

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[COURT INFORMATION]

Court Judge Date
Sent
Rcvd **CIRCUIT** **JONES** **5/20/2020**
Court Case Number **20CF320AK**

Assigned To:

[DISPOSITION]

<u>Disposition Type</u>	<u>Release Type</u>	<u>Other Desc</u>
<u>Release Date</u>	<u>Release Time</u>	<u>Release Officer</u>
<u>Released To</u>		<u>Printed</u> <u>Printed By</u> No
<u>Court DispositionType</u>	<u>Court Disposition Description</u>	

[ADDITIONAL PERSONS]

COURT DISPOSITION: _____

(right index)

No Bill / Petition Issue Warrant Prosecution Approved

Signature of Assistant State Attorney

Date