

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FAULKNER COUNTY ARKANSAS  
2ND DIVISION**

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**

**PLAINTIFF**

**VS.**

**23CR-15-569**

**HUNTER DREXLER**

**DEFENDANT**

**MOTION TO PRODUCE RECORDS**

In support, Defendant states:

1. Defendant has filed a Motion for Discovery and the State has responded.

Defendant has a good faith belief that all documents that would be subject to his discovery request has been provided.

2. Defendant moves for the following documents that would not be typically included in a discovery request. Defendant believes these documents are relevant to issues that are now pending before the Court. They are:

- a. A week-long hearing was held commencing on October 18, 2016. On the eve of that hearing, the Court entered an order, *sua sponte*, closing the proceedings of a juvenile transfer hearing. The press reported that it received a copy of the order from the Court at 4:30 p.m. It appears that the parties were not emailed a copy of the same order until 4:45 p.m. on October 17, 2016. At the hearing, this issue was brought up and the Court indicated that it was in contact with the press during the week leading up to its ruling. Counsel can corroborate that a reporter indicated that they too were keeping in contact with the Court during the week leading up to the hearing. The Court indicated that it either sent by way of “fax or email” a copy of the order to the press. The Defendant is requesting that he be provided a copy of all communication made between the Court and any press regarding

anything about the Defendant. This would include emails, facsimile, text messages, or voice mails regarding the Defendant's matter. Of course, this request would specifically ask for the email or facsimile that the Court referenced at the October 18, 2016 hearing to which the October 17th order addressed.

b. Defendant is requesting an order from the Court to obtain all "CONTEXT" messages entered by the Court's staff regarding Hunter Drexler.<sup>1</sup> At the hearing, the Court's employee, Laine McConnell, provided copies of Drexler's CONTEXT messages from the date that Drexler was entered into Juvenile Drug Court up and until his arrest for his recent charges.

c. Defendant is requesting an order for all of transcripts of hearings that occurred before the Court re: matters of both juvenile court and matters of juvenile drug court. As to Juvenile drug court, Drexler is requesting a style of the case as to all other matters that were being heard on the dates in question. Drexler knows that other juveniles, and their families, were present in the courtroom during his proceedings.

3. These requests are made in good faith and are necessary to fully develop issues that are now before the Court.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, Drexler prays that this motion be granted and for all other relief the Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>1</sup> This request should not be construed as a "waiver" of Drexler's previous motion that all matters related to his juvenile conviction and juvenile court proceedings be sealed from the public. The Court denied this request citing that Defendant's request for an open proceeding as to the juvenile transfer hearing waived confidentiality issues relative to his juvenile conviction and juvenile court proceedings. Drexler still believes that the Court's ruling is an error and subject to appellate review.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy was faxed, mailed, left in the Clerk's Box, or hand delivered to the Prosecuting Attorney on November 3, 2016.

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