

**WITNESS STATEMENT**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS       §**

**COUNTY OF SMITH         §**

The undersigned Witness, being a Merchant in Smith County, Texas makes the following statement:

There is herein described the following suspected party, to wit:

\_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter referred to as 'defendant' and further described on the attached sheet.

It is the belief of this merchant that the said defendant that on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, did then and there, in the County of Smith and the State of Texas, deprive this merchant if property, namely, merchandise of a type unknown to this witness, of the value of : (check one below):

- \_\_\_\_\_ at least \$0.01 but less than \$20.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ at least \$20.00 but less than \$500.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ at least \$500.00 but less than \$1500.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ at least \$1500.00 but less than \$20,000.00

The witness further states that the Defendant unlawfully appropriate said property by worthless check.

Witness has reason to believe that said theft occurred based upon the following facts:

Said defendant wrote the attached check on the above date for merchandise which was given in exchange for said check. Said check, in the regular course of the merchant's business, was deposited in merchant's bank account to be presented to the bank on which the check was drawn for collection. Said check was returned by the bank to this witness unpaid and said check has not been paid as of the date below.

This witness does want to prosecute this THEFT.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness name (PRINTED)

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Witness Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**(State's Exhibit 'A')**