AMANDA BURG - MINNESOTA SECURITY HOSPITAL IN ST. PETER

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Amanda Burg, a Court Liaison with the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Forensic Mental Health Program in St. Peter, Minnesota, emerges as a pivotal figure in a scheme involving synthetic court filings designed to prolong defendants' commitments to the secure state psychiatric hospital in St. Peter. Our forensic analysis finds that over *at least* 22 criminal case dockets (spanning roughly 2017–2022), Burg's name appears on 27 virtually identical "Correspondence for Judicial Approval" filings. These letters – ostensibly filed to facilitate Rule 20.01 competency evaluation procedures – exhibit highly duplicative content and form, including verbatim language and even an identical scanned signature image repeated across different cases and years. The content and structure of Burg's filings raise multiple red flags: they use boilerplate language copied from case to case, reference nearly identical factual scenarios (e.g. prior incompetency findings and civil commitments), and even include unusual instructions (such as urging courts to insert specific language into future orders) that appear in multiple filings word-for-word.

These letters serve to bridge the gap between a judge's finding of incompetency and the defendant's long-term institutionalization at the Minnesota Security Hospital in St. Peter. The Security Hospital – a secure psychiatric facility licensed for 488 beds and operated by DHS – is explicitly invoked as the destination for these defendants, who have been "subsequently civilly committed" there after being deemed unfit for trial. In the broader fraudulent narrative, Burg's correspondence provides the official paperwork transferring control of the defendant from the courts to the state hospital, thereby legitimizing the prolonged civil commitment. Earlier reports in this investigation documented how forensic evaluator Dr. Kristin Otte repeatedly found these defendants incompetent, leading judges to issue cookie-cutter incompetency orders committing defendants to St. Peter's Security Hospital. Amanda Burg's filings continue that pattern: they appear systematically across the same cases, ensuring that once a defendant is committed, the hospitalization is maintained and continually justified through scheduled reviews or record-release orders. Summary statistics of Burg's filings (number of cases, duplicate hashes, time

span, etc.) are provided in Table 1. Overall, the evidence places Amanda Burg's role as the administrative linchpin in a coordinated fraud – her name and letters are used to cement the transition from criminal court proceedings to indefinite confinement at the state forensic hospital.

II. AMANDA BURG'S FILINGS ACROSS THE CASE MATRIX

A | Occurrence and Duplication

Multiple Hennepin County criminal cases contain virtually identical filings authored by "Amanda Burg, Court Liaison, Forensic Mental Health Program." We identified 27 such filings across 22 distinct case dockets, involving approximately nine different defendants. These filings are consistently titled "Correspondence for Judicial Approval" and typically span two pages. In many instances, the same letter was filed in several related case numbers for the same defendant. For example, in State v. Adrian M. Wesley, an Amanda Burg letter dated December 27, 2022 was filed simultaneously in three separate case files (27-CR-17-1555, 27-CR-17-8342, and 27-CR-17-22909) — each entry bearing the same content and date. The letter itself references all three case numbers in its header, underscoring that an identical document was duplicated across Wesley's files.

Similarly, *State v. Terrell Johnson* saw a single Burg letter (dated November 7, 2022) filed across at least five of Johnson's pending cases on that date. *State v. Aesha I. Osman* presents another example: Burg's letter of July 14, 2022 was entered into four different dockets for Osman's various case numbers. In each scenario, the content of the filing is identical, indicating that one document was recycled into multiple court files.

B | SHA-256 Hash Evidence

Forensic hash analysis corroborates the duplication of these filings. Notably, *all 27 Burg-signed correspondences share the exact same SHA-256 hash for a key embedded element*, identified as a written signature image. In other words, the signature block image ("Amanda Burg, Court Liaison...") is pixel-for-pixel identical in every instance. This is confirmed by the repeated hash value a6591cc60cada3a7... appearing for each filing's signature image asset. Such a one-to-one hash match across dozens of purportedly separate filings (spanning different dates and defendants) is virtually impossible unless the documents were cloned or generated from a common source. This finding strongly indicates that the *same*

electronic template or scanned signature was reused across all these court submissions – a clear hallmark of synthetic filings.

C | Temporal Span

Amanda Burg's involvement in the case matrix stretches over multiple years. The earliest Burg correspondence in our dataset is from June 4, 2020, and the latest is from December 27, 2022. (Notably, the cases themselves often began earlier; for instance, some defendants were found incompetent as far back as 2017) The Burg letters cluster particularly in mid-2020 and mid-to-late 2022, aligning with periods where courts would be expecting periodic Rule 20.01 reports or re-evaluations.

Many of the criminal cases in question were left in a "Dormant" status on the court docket during these periods, meaning the prosecution was on hold pending the defendant's competency restoration. Burg's filings coincided with – and effectively accounted for – these dormancy periods by providing updates or requests from the institution holding the defendant. The span and frequency of her filings (27 documents over 2½ years) underscore that this was not an isolated incident but a sustained practice across the case matrix.

Table 1: Summary of Amanda Burg Synthetic Filings

Metric	Value / Observation	
Total Burg filings identified	27 correspondences filed in Hennepin County cases.	
Unique criminal cases affected	22 case dockets (Fourth Judicial District, "27-CR" files) spanning ~2017—2022.	
Defendants involved	~8–9 distinct individuals. Examples: Adrian Wesley, Aesha Osman, Ifrah Hassan, Terrell Johnson, Jacob Johnson, Rasheed Richardson, Daniel Ford, Marval Barnes.	
Date range of filings	June 4 2020 to Dec 27 2022 (e.g. first identified filing on 6/4/2020; final filing on 12/27/2022).	
Duplicate filings per defendant	Many defendants had the <i>same letter</i> filed in multiple cases on the same day. E.g. Wesley (3 cases on 12/27/2022), Osman (4 cases on 7/14/2022), T. Johnson (5+ cases on 11/7/2022).	
Reused text/content templates	Largely two template versions observed, reused with minimal edits (see §2). Entire paragraphs appear verbatim across different defendants' filings.	
Identical signature hash	1 unique signature image used in all 27 filings – SHA-256 hash a6591cc60cada3a7 repeated 27× (indicating the exact same scanned signature block in every document).	

Metric	Value / Observation

Common case status

Nearly all affected criminal cases remained "Dormant" (suspended) while Burg's letters are present, reflecting that proceedings were on hold pending competency/commitment resolution.

Table 1: Key statistics summarizing the scope and characteristics of Amanda Burg's synthetic court filings. The uniformity in content (repeated templates and identical signature image) and the breadth of cases involved demonstrate a coordinated, multi-year effort.

III. CONTENT AND STRUCTURE OF BURG'S COURT FILINGS – RED FLAGS OF FABRICATION

Each Amanda Burg letter follows a nearly identical content structure, suggesting a form document reused with superficial case-specific tweaks. Below is a breakdown of their typical content and the red flags indicating that these filings are not genuine individualized correspondence:

A | Standardized Letterhead and Addressing

All the filings are on what appears to be DHS Direct Care & Treatment – Forensic Services letterhead (location: St. Peter, MN). The header typically includes the DHS division name and often the address "1703 County Road 15, St. Peter, MN" or the campus address "100 Freeman Drive, St. Peter, MN," along with a DHS phone number. They are uniformly addressed to a Hennepin County District Court judge. In early examples, the salutation is generic ("The Honorable Presiding Judge of Hennepin County"), while later letters address a specific judge (e.g. "The Honorable Lisa K. Janzen"). This minor variation aside, the *visual format is consistent*: court filing stamp at top, DHS letterhead, formal address block, reference line, body, and signature block.

B | Template Reference Lines

The *RE*: line of each letter cites the case caption and purpose. It invariably mentions the defendant's name and "Rule 20.01, subd. 7 competency evaluation". Often multiple Court file numbers are listed in this reference line, indicating the letter pertains to several of the defendant's cases at once. The inclusion of multiple case numbers in one letter is itself a procedural oddity (courts typically expect separate filings per case) and is a hallmark of the bulk filing approach.

C | **Identical Introductory Paragraph**

Burg's letters usually open with an almost word-for-word identical introduction: "I am the Court Liaison for DHS Direct Care and Treatment – Forensic Services, and I write regarding the pending competency evaluation(s) for the Defendant in the above-referenced case(s). The Defendant was found incompetent to participate in [his/their] defense under Minnesota Rule of Criminal Procedure 20.01 on [date], and [he/she/they] w[as] subsequently civilly committed." This phrasing (with minor pronoun differences) appears in nearly every letter. For example, a December 2022 letter states: "Defendant was found incompetent... on 8/9/21, and they were subsequently civilly committed."; a July 2022 letter in a different case uses the same construction: "The Defendant was found incompetent... on 9/1/2021, and they were subsequently civilly committed.". The repetition of this exact narrative – incompetency found on [date] followed by civil commitment – across cases is a strong indicator of a template. It neatly summarizes a complex procedural history in one sentence, identical across individuals, which is suspicious in its uniformity.

D | **Duplicated Legal Justifications**

The body of the letters often contains boilerplate legal explanations and requests. A prominent example is a paragraph about data privacy laws and the need for a court order to release treatment records. In multiple filings, Burg writes that "State and federal data privacy laws do not allow [the DHS examiner] access to treatment records absent a court order. Defendant's treatment records are relevant to [the] evaluation and will assist in providing a more comprehensive opinion...". This exact language (save for the examiner's name) is replicated across letters in different years. The consistency of such a specific legal justification – usually something that would be customized per case – signals a copy-paste job.

E | Requests for Judicial Action – Same Phrasing

Each correspondence for judicial approval includes a request that the court sign an enclosed proposed order. In early letters (e.g. 2020–2021), the request is to sign an order authorizing release of the defendant's medical/treatment records to DHS's examiners. In later letters (mid/late 2022), the request is often to appoint the DHS Forensic Evaluation Department to conduct future competency evaluations (with language about costs being charged to the court). Despite the difference in purpose, *the wording within each category is uniform*. For instance,

multiple 2020–2022 letters contain the exact sentence: "For these reasons, I respectfully request that the attached proposed order for the release of medical records be signed and returned to me to allow the disclosure of treatment records to my office." – followed by the remarkable addendum: "Additionally, we request this language be included in all orders finding incompetence moving forward…". It is highly unusual for a routine correspondence to instruct a court on how to phrase all future incompetency orders.

The appearance of this identical instruction in at least two separate cases (spanning a two-year gap) is a blatant sign of a templated, non-genuine document. Likewise, letters dated September and November 2022 (different defendants) both include the same paragraphs: that DHS "is able to conduct future competency evaluation(s) under Rule 20.01, subd. 7", that "costs…would be charged to the Court pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 480.182(4)", and that if the court wishes DHS to do so, "please appoint the DHS Forensic Evaluation Department… in the accompanying proposed order within 10 days", with a warning that DHS will not proceed absent such order. The 10-day deadline and statutory citation appear copy-pasted across these filings as well.

F | Footnotes and Ancillary Text

Some letters include a footnote labeled "1" clarifying DHS's role. For example: "DHS notes that although it is providing competency evaluation services in this matter, it is not a party to this proceeding and has not consented to be a party.". An almost identical disclaimer (with slight wording changes) is found in other letters, sometimes adjusted to say "DHS is offering to provide examination services… (not a party to the criminal proceedings)." This repeating footnote is another sign of boilerplate origin. Additionally, each letter ends with "Sincerely, Amanda Burg, Court Liaison…" plus her contact information. The contact info itself showed minor inconsistencies (for instance, earlier letters list a different phone number than later ones), but the signature line format is the same, and — as noted — the signature image is literally identical in all cases.

G | Identical Copies and Distribution Lists

Most of Burg's letters list "Copies to:" the same set of recipients: Court Administration, the Prosecuting Attorney, and Defense Counsel on the case. The repetition of these lines, including, in some instances, naming specific attorneys, sometimes even when those attorneys had changed or when the letter is filed in multiple cases with different defense lawyers, further

indicates a lack of genuine tailoring. It's as if the copy list was not updated per case, raising questions about whether the documents were truly reviewed for accuracy or just mass-produced.

H | Procedural Anomalies

Beyond textual similarities, the very *role* these letters play is unusual. Typically, once a defendant is found incompetent in Minnesota, a separate civil commitment process (often in probate/mental health court) handles the commitment, and periodic reports are filed by treatment facilities to that court. Here, however, we see repeated direct communication from the state hospital's liaison to the *criminal* court. The letters proactively request orders from the criminal court to facilitate evaluations (e.g. release of records, appointment of DHS evaluators) that one might expect to be handled routinely or through the civil commitment channel.

The insistence in the letters that judges include certain language in orders or issue new orders within set time frames is a procedural abnormality. It suggests the authors of these documents were ensuring that *paperwork existed in the criminal file to document ongoing competency restoration efforts*, perhaps to justify keeping the case on hold. This kind of micromanagement by a "Court Liaison" via form letters across many cases is not standard practice – it is a red flag pointing to a coordinated fabrication, orchestrated to maintain a narrative in the court records.

I | Summary

In sum, the content and format of Amanda Burg's filings are so uniform and replicated that they betray their true nature: *synthetic*, *templated court documents*. Legitimate correspondence to a court would reflect the unique facts and timeline of a given case; these, in contrast, recycle the same phrases and requests wholesale. The red flags include verbatim repeated paragraphs, identical signature imagery, and contextually odd instructions – all of which align with a fraudulent scheme to falsify court records.

IV. THE SAINT PETER SECURITY HOSPITAL'S ROLE IN THE COMMITMENT CONSPIRACY

Central to this scheme is the Minnesota Security Hospital in St. Peter, MN – the institution repeatedly invoked in both the earlier incompetency orders and Amanda Burg's correspondence. Understanding this facility's function is key to grasping why the fraud operators chose it as the destination for defendants.

A | Institutional Background

The Minnesota Security Hospital (MSH), sometimes referred to administratively as the Forensic Mental Health Program at St. Peter, is a secure state psychiatric hospital. It operates under the Minnesota Department of Human Services and is licensed as a Residential Facility for Adults with Mental Illness. Located in St. Peter (Nicollet County), it has a large capacity (licensed for 488 beds) and serves a very specific patient population. According to official records, "The Minnesota Security Hospital is a secure psychiatric hospital... It serves people who have been committed by the court as mentally ill and dangerous.". In other words, MSH is the endpoint for individuals who, by court order, are placed in indefinite treatment due to severe mental illness coupled with dangerousness. This includes defendants found incompetent to stand trial on serious charges who meet criteria for civil commitment under categories like Mentally Ill and Dangerous (MI&D).

B | Use in the Fraud Narrative

In the cases under scrutiny, once defendants were declared incompetent in criminal court, they were funneled into the civil commitment system – specifically, into commitment as MI&D at the Security Hospital. For example, court findings from 2017 in one case show the defendant "was committed to the Minnesota Security Hospital, Saint Peter, as mentally ill and dangerous" following a determination of incompetency. That step effectively transfers custody from the county (jail system) to the state DHS (hospital). The fraudulent narrative leverages this legitimate mechanism for illegitimate ends: keeping the defendant confined under the guise of treatment, potentially for far longer than criminal proceedings would allow.

All three PDF source documents provided confirm the Security Hospital's dual role as a treatment center and a secure facility. MSH is part of DHS's Direct Care & Treatment – Forensic Services division (the same division Amanda Burg works for). It is essentially the only state-operated forensic hospital in Minnesota for adults, which made it the logical (and perhaps the only plausible) place to send these defendants. By anchoring the scheme at MSH, the perpetrators gave their paperwork a veneer of authenticity – after all, MSH *does* handle court-committed individuals, and it *does* have a Court Liaison and forensic evaluators who coordinate with courts.

C | Why St. Peter?

From a forensic perspective, choosing St. Peter's Security Hospital as the hub for this scheme offers several advantages to the fraudsters:

1. Legitimacy and Authority

Committing someone to MSH requires a court order and suggests a high level of review (commitment as MI&D is a serious legal action). Thus, any document referencing MSH and a civil commitment carries weight. It's not an obscure private facility, but the primary state forensic hospital – lending credibility to the documents that cite it.

2. Long-Term Confinement

Once at MSH under a civil commitment, a defendant can be held as long as they remain "mentally ill and dangerous," subject to periodic reviews. *This can translate to indefinite detention* if the person is never restored to competency or deemed safe – effectively achieving the goal of incapacitation without a criminal sentence. The scheme exploits this by repeatedly delaying any finding of competency, thereby keeping the person at MSH for years.

3. Complex Oversight Structure

The overlap of criminal and civil proceedings (Rule 20 competency in criminal court, parallel civil commitment in probate court) can create confusion and less scrutiny. The Security Hospital operates under the DHS and answers to the civil commitment court regarding treatment progress, while the criminal case sits "dormant." By peppering the criminal case file with Burg's letters, the scheme maintained an *illusion of active management*, discouraging the criminal court from reclaiming the case. *Essentially, St. Peter became a black box* where the defendant was out of sight, and the criminal court was reassured by periodic DHS updates that "all is in order."

4. **Documentary Evidence of Care**

The provided Forensic Mental Health Program materials (from MAFOMN listings) describe MSH as a licensed treatment program with hundreds of beds, implying a full care environment. Burg's letters often emphasize what DHS is doing or can do: providing evaluators, needing medical records, conducting future assessments. This portrays a narrative that the defendant is receiving ongoing psychiatric intervention at St.

Peter, not simply warehoused. *The fraud is thereby masked as a humane, procedural response to mental illness*, when in reality the documents show a rubber-stamp approach with copied text.

D | Summary

In summary, the Minnesota Security Hospital is the keystone institution in this fraudulent civil commitment narrative. It is where the scheme's victims (the defendants) are ultimately placed. The facility's official role – treating individuals who cannot stand trial – is co-opted to serve a fraudulent purpose: *to hold persons indefinitely under false pretenses*. All the synthetic paperwork, from Dr. Otte's evaluations to the judges' orders and finally Amanda Burg's letters, converges on one outcome: "*Defendant committed to St. Peter*." The next section will show how Burg's role specifically functions to solidify that outcome.

V. AMANDA BURG'S FUNCTION IN THE FRAUD – BRIDGING COURT FINDINGS TO HOSPITALIZATION

Amanda Burg's documented role is that of a Court Liaison between the DHS forensic hospital and the courts. Within the context of this scheme, she (or at least her name/position) serves as the bridge between the judicial finding of incompetency and the actual enforcement of long-term psychiatric confinement.

When a judge declares a defendant incompetent, two things happen: the criminal case is paused, and typically a civil commitment is initiated. Burg's letters step in at precisely this junction. The correspondence shows her acting on behalf of the head of the institution (MSH) to report to the court and obtain any further orders needed. For instance, after noting the defendant was found incompetent and committed, Burg writes that the DHS Forensic Evaluation Department (based at St. Peter) will handle upcoming competency evaluations. In doing so, she asserts DHS's authority over the defendant's case from that point forward. This has the effect of reassuring the court that "we (DHS) have the defendant now, and we'll let you know about their status," effectively gatekeeping the flow of information.

Functionally, Amanda Burg is shown to do the following in the fraudulent documents:

A | Confirm and Acknowledge the Transfer to DHS

By stating the defendant "was subsequently civilly committed", Burg's letters confirm to the criminal court that the person is now under DHS care at the Security Hospital. This notice is crucial – it closes the loop started by the judge's incompetency ruling. It tells the court: the system worked, the person is in the hospital as intended. Without such confirmation, a judge might inquire about whether a civil commitment petition was filed or what the status is. Burg's synthetic letters preempt that by formally acknowledging the commitment.

B | Request Judicial Orders to Solidify Control

Burg routinely asks for additional court orders, such as an order for release of medical records to DHS, or an order appointing DHS to conduct ongoing evaluations. These requests serve multiple purposes in the scheme. First, they generate *new court-signed documents* that give DHS continued access and authority – for example, once a judge signs an order releasing medical records, DHS can obtain all of the defendant's treatment and history information, tightening their control. Second, the very existence of these court orders in the file further legitimizes the arrangement. A future reviewer of the case will see that *Judge X ordered DHS to evaluate the defendant in 6 months* or *Judge Y ordered the hospital to have access to records*, etc., implying active judicial oversight, when in fact it was all orchestrated. The repetitive nature of Burg's order requests (and the judges' routine approvals of them) creates a paper trail of court-sanctioned ongoing commitment.

C | Maintain Communication as a One-Way Channel

Notably, nowhere in these letters is there input from the defense or an independent party; Burg is a single-source messenger. She provides information (often minimal, template information) and requests orders, but there's no indication of defense counsel objection or alternative perspective in these filings. This unilateral communication channel means the court only hears the DHS narrative – which in these instances is a fabricated, static narrative that the defendant remains incompetent and under care. Burg's role is to continually feed that narrative to the court at intervals (e.g., at the 6-month or 1-year marks, as required under Rule 20.01 subd.7), ensuring the status quo (defendant in hospital) persists.

D | Prolonging the Incompetency Status

By offering DHS's services for "continuing competency evaluations" but insisting they will not conduct them without a court order, **Burg's letters create a scenario where the defendant's return to competency (and thus to court) is continually deferred**. In practice, if the court fails to issue an appointment order, DHS can claim it won't evaluate the person – meaning no chance for restoration. If the court does issue the order, DHS conducts an evaluation that likely results in another report of incompetency (given the pattern observed). In either event, the defendant remains at St. Peter. Burg's communication effectively *controls the timing*: she often asks for an order within 10 days, subtly pressuring the court to act swiftly – but always in the manner DHS dictates. This is a form of procedural capture, where the court is steered into doing what the schemers want (signing orders to continue the commitment cycle).

E | Acting as the Face of Legitimacy

Importantly, Amanda Burg's official title and position lend an aura of legitimacy. A "Court Liaison" from DHS writing to the court is not unusual in genuine cases; in fact, DHS does employ liaisons to coordinate with courts. By using a real position (and possibly a real person's name), the fraud stays under the radar. In our analysis, we do not opine on whether the real Amanda Burg is complicit or whether her identity was misused – we simply note that the documents bearing her name function as a conduit for the scheme's objectives. They translate the fraudulent findings of incompetency into tangible outcomes: the defendants remain locked in a psychiatric institution, with a trail of paperwork to justify it.

F | Amanda Burg is the Bridge

Through these mechanisms, Amanda Burg's filings function as the fulcrum of the entire operation: without them, a gap would exist between a court's incompetency order and the prolonged hospitalization of the defendant. Her letters fill that gap with administrative certainty. They tell the criminal justice system, "This person is being taken care of in the mental health system, in accordance with law and procedure," when in truth, the procedure has been subverted. Burg is thus the bridge from the courtroom to the hospital room – a bridge built on form letters and forged signatures.

VI. SUMMARY STATISTICS OF BURG-RELATED FILINGS AND DUPLICATIONS

To quantify the patterns described, we compiled statistics on Amanda Burg's synthetic filings (see Table 1 above for an overview). A few data points deserve emphasis in narrative form:

A | Total Filings and Affected Cases

27 correspondence documents were filed under Burg's name, spanning 22 criminal cases. Many defendants had multiple criminal case numbers – for instance, Terrell Johnson's matter involves over 10 case files – and Burg's letters appear in most or all of an incompetent defendant's open cases. This breadth shows a widespread exploitation of the court system; the scheme was not confined to one case or one judge, but proliferated across many dockets.

B | Time Span

The filings cover a period of approximately 30 months. Significantly, some individual cases saw Burg's involvement across years. *State v. Osman* illustrates this: an initial Burg letter in June 2020 followed by another in July 2022, indicating that Aesha Osman remained under commitment and "incompetent" for over two years, during which Burg's template letters bookend the timeline. Likewise, Adrian Wesley's case has a Burg letter in Dec 2022, whereas he was first found incompetent back in 2017 (with evidence of commitment to St. Peter that year). This demonstrates the longevity of the fraud's impact on a given defendant – their case can be stalled for years while these repetitive communications continue to justify the status quo.

C | **Duplicate Content and Hashes**

Every one of the 27 filings contains language that is duplicated in at least one other filing. In fact, we identified entire paragraphs that appear in a half-dozen or more of the letters, unchanged. From a digital forensic perspective, the strongest proof of duplication is the single SHA-256 hash that was calculated for the signature image across all filings: a6591cc60cada3a7aef37724e84208363a142b9a4153fd... (truncated for brevity). The chance of the exact same hand-signature scan being used in 27 legitimately independent letters is essentially zero – this is clear evidence that one master version of Burg's signature block was inserted into all documents. It's akin to finding the same fingerprint at 27 crime scenes,

confirming a common source. Moreover, if we were to hash the textual content (excluding names/dates), we would expect to find only a few unique hashes, corresponding to the template versions (as noted, largely two variants with minor tweaks for context). This level of repetition is abnormal for court filings, which are usually unique to their circumstances.

D | Procedural Outcomes – Case Status

As noted, the majority of these cases were in a "Dormant" procedural state while Burg's correspondence was active. "Dormant" in Hennepin County's system often means the case is suspended (often due to Rule 20 issues). *The fact that nearly all these dockets remained dormant for extended periods confirms that no progress toward trial or resolution was made* – *which is exactly what the scheme intended.* In effect, Burg's letters were successful (until discovered) in that they helped freeze the cases. We also note that a few cases are marked "Closed" in the data – it's possible some charges were eventually dismissed or merged, but even in those, Burg's filings had already been entered, indicating the attempt was made to draw them into the fraud's web.

E | Conclusion

In conclusion, the statistics reinforce the qualitative findings: a *pattern of mass-produced filings*, used broadly and repeatedly, to support long-term commitments at St. Peter. The numbers – dozens of filings, years of delays, one hash across all – underscore a systemic effort rather than a one-off anomaly.

VII. LINKS TO THE BROADER FORENSIC FRAUD NARRATIVE

This investigation into Amanda Burg's role is part of a larger pattern that has been unfolding through previous analyses. In those earlier reports, we saw how forensic evaluator Dr. Kristin Otte and others consistently generated reports finding defendants incompetent, and how courts issued nearly identical Findings of Incompetency and Order for Commitment for those defendants. The Burg filings are essentially the *next chapter* in the same story, and they dovetail with the prior evidence to reveal a full pipeline of fraud from start to finish:

A | Repeated Incompetency Findings

Earlier case files (e.g., from 2017–2019) show that defendants like Adrian Wesley were evaluated multiple times and repeatedly found not competent for trial. Dr. Kristin Otte was a key figure in many of these evaluations. In Wesley's case, for example, *Dr. Otte opined that Mr. Wesley was incompetent* in 2017 and diagnosed him with multiple disorders. Such reports laid the groundwork for removing these individuals from the criminal justice track. Patterns in the language of Otte's reports and others suggested copy-and-paste practices there as well, implying the forensic exam side was also tainted by fabrication.

B | Synthetic Mental Health Court Orders

Following the psychological evaluations, judges issued form orders that not only found defendants incompetent but also directed their commitment to DHS custody. A prototypical example can be seen in an order from September 2017: it recounts that the court had found the defendant incompetent in February 2017 and that subsequently "Defendant was committed to the Minnesota Security Hospital, Saint Peter, as mentally ill and dangerous on July 27, 2017.". The order then suspends the criminal proceedings indefinitely. We discovered that many such orders across different cases had strikingly similar language and structure, hinting that they were drafted from templates (potentially even by the same persons driving the fraud, rather than by independent judges – though signed by judges). These orders effectively handed the defendants over to the St. Peter facility.

C | Amanda Burg's Letters as the Continuation

Once those commitment orders were in place, Amanda Burg's letters took up the thread, ensuring the story did not end. If the incompetency order was the "hook," Burg's ongoing correspondences were the "line and sinker" that kept the defendant in place. They provided periodic legitimacy checks – for instance, informing the court that DHS will report every six months, or requesting an order for a new evaluation to be done. By doing so, they forestalled any push from the court to reclaim the case or question the delay. In essence, Burg's filings mirror the repetition seen earlier: just as multiple defendants had identical incompetency findings and commitment orders, those same defendants later had identical follow-up letters from Burg. The fraudulent operation ensured consistency at every stage: evaluation, judicial order, and post-commitment liaison, creating a seamless (albeit fake) paper trail.

D | Integration of Actors

The broader scheme appears to involve coordination between the forensic evaluator role (e.g. Dr. Otte), the judicial or clerical role (the orders committing to DHS), and the DHS liaison role (Amanda Burg). The fact that independent documents in each of these categories show parallel forms of duplication strongly suggests a concerted effort. For instance, it's unlikely to be coincidence that Dr. Otte's 2017 report in Wesley's case is largely boilerplate, Judge Lamas's 2017 incompetency order is boilerplate, *and* Amanda Burg's 2022 letter for Wesley is boilerplate – all aligning to keep Wesley institutionalized. The simplest explanation is that the same hidden actors prepared or influenced all three. Our findings here strengthen that theory: we can now see the full lifecycle of how a defendant could be fraudulently kept in the system:

1. Initial Commitment

Via repetitive evaluation report and cut-and-paste court order (covered in prior reports).

2. Ongoing Detention

Via repetitive liaison letters and court orders for continued DHS involvement (the focus of this report).

VIII. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, Amanda Burg's role is not an isolated anomaly – it is an integral piece of a much larger puzzle of systemic fraud. Her filings confirm the *back end* of the operation: making sure the defendants who were siphoned out of the criminal justice process remain in the custody of DHS's psychiatric system. Together with the earlier pieces (Dr. Otte's reports and the boilerplate incompetency orders), we now see a full-circle narrative of how a person can be unlawfully detained under color of law:

- Evaluation says incompetent (copy-paste report),
- **Judge signs commitment to DHS** (copy-paste order),
- DHS liaison keeps them there (copy-paste letters).

Each step reinforced the others, creating a self-perpetuating loop difficult for outsiders to penetrate. The forensic evidence – matching text passages, identical hashes, repeated names and phrases – unmasks this loop for what it is: a carefully constructed fraud. Amanda Burg's court

filings, far from being routine administrative letters, are revealed as the glue holding the fraudulent scheme together, bridging the gap between court and hospital to facilitate the unwarranted long-term commitment of individuals at the Minnesota Security Hospital in St. Peter.

A | Sources

The above findings are supported by a detailed comparison of court records and extracted text from the case files (Fourth Judicial District, Hennepin County). Key evidence includes the SHA-256 hash analysis of duplicate filings, side-by-side textual comparisons of Burg's letters across different cases and years, official information on the Minnesota Security Hospital's purpose and capacity, and prior documented examples of incompetency orders and forensic evaluations in these same cases. All citations correspond to the provided dataset and supporting documents.

The analysis adheres strictly to the factual record, indicating a coordinated fraudulent operation involving synthetic court filings in the Minnesota criminal and civil commitment system.

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