

State of Minnesota
County of Rice

District Court
3rd Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

A-15-0559
66-CR-15-3095

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT
Order of Detention

vs.

JOSHUA PAUL BARRON DOB: 07/02/1983

23440 Northfield Blvd
Hampton, MN 55031

Defendant.

The Complainant submits this complaint to the Court and states that there is probable cause to believe Defendant committed the following offense(s):

COUNT I

Charge: First Degree Controlled Substance - Subsequent offense and Firearm Enhancement

Minnesota Statute: 152.021.2(a)(1), with reference to: 152.021.3(b), 609.11.5a

Maximum Sentence: Not less than four years nor more than 40 years and, in addition, a fine of not more than \$1,000,000.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15019218

Charge Description: On or about December 4, 2015, in Rice County, Minnesota, Joshua Paul Barron, the defendant, did on one or more occasions within a 90-day period the person unlawfully possess one or more mixtures of a total weight of 25 grams or more containing cocaine, heroin, or methamphetamine, to wit: 56.52 grams of methamphetamine, and the offense is a subsequent controlled substance conviction.

COUNT II

Charge: Possess Ammo/Any Firearm - Conviction or Adjudicated Delinquent for Crime of Violence

Minnesota Statute: 624.713.1(2), with reference to: 609.11.5, 624.713.2(b)

Maximum Sentence: Not more than 15 years, a \$30,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15019218

Charge Description: On or about December 4, 2015, in Rice County, Minnesota, Joshua Paul Barron, the defendant, who is a person who has been convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent or convicted as an extended jurisdiction juvenile for committing, in this state or elsewhere, a crime of violence, possessed ammunition or a pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon or, except for clause (1), any other firearm: Springfield Armory handgun XDM .45 caliber.

COUNT III

Charge: Possession of Stolen Property - Motor Vehicle

Minnesota Statute: 609.53.1, with reference to: 609.52.3(2)

Maximum Sentence: Not more than 10 years, \$20,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15019218

Charge Description: On or about December 4, 2015, in Rice County, Minnesota, Joshua Paul Barron, the defendant, did unlawfully and feloniously receive, possess, transfer, buy or conceal any stolen property or property obtained by robbery, knowing or having reason to know the property was stolen or obtained by robbery, and the value of the property stolen exceeds \$5,000, to wit: 2015 green Ford F-250.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

The Complainant states that the following facts establish probable cause:

Your Complainant and/or Signing Officer designated below, being duly sworn, has reviewed police reports relating to the above-named Defendant and the allegations contained herein, and/or has spoken with peace officers having knowledge of the incident, and based upon that information, believes the following to be true and correct.

On December 3, 2015, Sgt. Dillon received information that there was an active warrant for JOSHUA PAUL BARRON, date of birth 7/2/1983, the defendant herein, for Rice County District Court File No. 66-CR-15-2441. Sgt. Dillon was aware that the defendant was a suspect in criminal matters involving the alleged theft of motor vehicles in Rice County and Steele County.

On December 4, 2015, at about 6:30 a.m., Sgt. Dillon drove by a residence in Faribault, Rice County. St. Dillon was aware that the defendant was associated with the residence. Sgt. Dillon saw a Ford truck in the driveway. The truck appeared to be a recent or new model. The vehicle had MN license plate no. 412NEM. Sgt. Dillon conducted a license plate. Dispatch confirmed that the license plate no. was stolen from a vehicle in Owatonna, MN.

Sgt. Dillon and other law enforcement officers approached the vehicle. There were two (2) individuals in the vehicle. It appeared that the individuals were sleeping. Sgt. Dillon approached the driver's door and announced his presence by stating, "Police." Sgt. Dillon identified the male as JOSHUA PAUL BARRON. The defendant was placed under arrest without incident. Sgt. Dillon noted that the defendant appeared to be very confused and said, "I wasn't in this truck when I fell asleep." The defendant denied knowing that the license plates on the vehicle had been reported stolen.

The female passenger was identified as HT. HT was later interviewed by a law enforcement officer with the Cannon River Drug & Violent Offender Task Force. HT made the following post-Miranda statement:

She met the defendant at around midnight in Owatonna. They drove to Wal-Mart to buy phone. The store didn't have the phone they wanted so they drove to the Wal-Mart in Faribault. She went inside the store. The defendant stayed inside the vehicle. She bought a phone and returned to the vehicle. The defendant was sleeping in the truck. The defendant did not have any discussions with her about the truck. She admitted the methamphetamine pipe located in her purse belonged to her. She admitted she used last night. She did not know if the defendant had any drugs in the vehicle.

HT also denied that the meth located in the driver's side belonged to her. She denied ever driving the truck. She denied knowing about or seeing a handgun in the vehicle. No one else was in the truck with them.

A police officer ran the VIN on the vehicle; it came back as "not on file." The vehicle was towed from the scene.

The law enforcement officers with the Cannon River Drug & Violent Offender Task Force located two (2) cardboard dealer plates inside the glove box of the vehicle. The law enforcement officer contacted the dealership and learned that the truck had been stolen from Winona, MN, on or about November 21, 2015. The vehicle had been locked and no one had permission to take the vehicle from the dealership's lot. The vehicle is a 2015 green Ford F-250. The value of the vehicle is approximately \$40,000 (Forty Thousand Dollars).

A search warrant was executed on the vehicle by law enforcement officers with the Cannon River Drug & Violent Offender Task Force. Numerous items were located and seized:

1. Two (2) license plates (MN 421NEHM) that had been reported stolen.
2. Two (2) dealer plates found in the cab and bed of the truck.
3. Stolen Kentucky license plate no. 254PSM. The plate was located underneath the driver's seat.
4. MN license plate no. YAJ6463 located in the bed of the truck.
5. Two Chevy key fobs located in an eye case in the driver's side door.
6. Bolt cutter located on the floor of the truck.
7. Black face mask located in the back seat arm rest.
8. A Springfield Armory handgun XDM .45 caliber; located in a car seat.
9. Four (4) Ziploc baggies with white crystalline substance in a black case located in the driver's door.
10. Plastic baggie with a green leafy substance located in a black case in the driver's door.
11. Seven (7) new plastic Ziploc bags in a black case in the driver's door.
12. Two (2) glass pipes in the black case in the driver's door.
13. Three (3) 2016 Chevrolet Silverado manuals located behind the front passenger seat.

The law enforcement officers also located \$373 (Three Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars) from the defendant's person.

The law enforcement officers with the Cannon River Drug & Violent Offender Task Force conducted a test of the substances located in the vehicle. The white crystalline substance in the four (4) baggies tested positive for methamphetamine and weighed a total of 56.52 with packaging. The two (2) glass pipes also tested positive for methamphetamine. Methamphetamine is a schedule II narcotic drug.

According to the defendant's criminal history, he was convicted of Attempted Manufacture of Methamphetamine in the First Degree in 2004 in Washington County, 82-K0-04-001626. He was committed to the Commissioner of Corrections. His expiration/discharge date for the offense was 5/10/2009. As a result of the conviction, he is not entitled to ship, transport, possess or receive a firearm. The offense is defined as a crime of violence.

According to the defendant's criminal history, he was convicted of Second Degree Assault with a Dangerous Weapon and Third Degree Assault in 2011 in Rice County District Court File No. 66-CR-10-339. The convictions would prohibit the defendant from possessing, transporting, or receiving a firearm. The offenses are defined as a crime of violence.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Pursuant to Minn. Stat. 609.49., intentional failure to appear for duly scheduled court appearances may result in additional criminal charges, and in addition to any arrest warrant that may otherwise be issued by the Court.

SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

Complainant requests that Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release, be:
(1) arrested or that other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court; or
(2) detained, if already in custody, pending further proceedings; and that said Defendant otherwise be dealt with according to law.

Complainant declares under penalty of perjury that everything stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116; Minn. R. Crim. P. 2.01, subds. 1, 2.

Complainant

Jason Severson
Captain
25 NW 4th Street
Faribault, MN 55021
Badge: 3203

Electronically Signed:
12/07/2015 10:32 AM
rice County, Minnesota

Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

Prosecuting Attorney

Thao N. Trinh
Assistant Rice County Attorney
218 NW 3rd Street
Faribault, MN 55021
(507) 332-6103

Electronically Signed:
12/07/2015 10:00 AM

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

From the above sworn facts, and any supporting affidavits or supplemental sworn testimony, I, the Issuing Officer, have determined that probable cause exists to support, subject to bail or conditions of release where applicable, Defendant's arrest or other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court, or Defendant's detention, if already in custody, pending further proceedings. Defendant is therefore charged with the above-stated offense(s).

SUMMONS

THEREFORE YOU, THE DEFENDANT, ARE SUMMONED to appear on _____, _____ at _____ AM/PM before the above-named court at 218 NW 3rd Street, Faribault, MN 55021 to answer this complaint.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR in response to this SUMMONS, a WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST shall be issued.

WARRANT

To the Sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this warrant: I order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the Defendant be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the court (if in session), and if not, before a Judge or Judicial Officer of such court without unnecessary delay, and in any event not later than 36 hours after the arrest or as soon as such Judge or Judicial Officer is available to be dealt with according to law.

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ORDER OF DETENTION

Since the Defendant is already in custody, I order, subject to bail or conditions of release, that the Defendant continue to be detained pending further proceedings.

Bail: \$
Conditions of Release:

This complaint, duly subscribed and sworn to or signed under penalty of perjury, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer as of the following date: December 7, 2015.

Judicial Officer

Thomas M Neuville
Judge of District Court

Electronically Signed: 12/07/2015 10:54 AM

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

**COUNTY OF RICE
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

State of Minnesota

Plaintiff

vs.

Joshua Paul Barron

Defendant

*LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Order of
Detention upon the Defendant herein named.*

Signature of Authorized Service Agent:

DEFENDANT FACT SHEET

Name: Joshua Paul Barron
DOB: 07/02/1983
Address: 23440 Northfield Blvd
Hampton, MN 55031
Alias Names/DOB:
SID: 02080375
Fingerprints Needed: Yes
Fingerprinted: Yes
Handgun Permit: No
Driver's License #: F076041188613 (MN)
Alcohol Concentration:

STATUTE AND OFFENSE GRID

Cnt Nbr	Statute Type	Offense Date(s)	Statute Nbrs and Descriptions	Offense Level	MOC	GOC	Controlling Agencies	Case Numbers
1	Charge	12/4/2015	152.021.2(a)(1) Drugs - 1st Degree- Possess 25 Grams or More - Cocaine/Heroin/Meth	Felony	DD5C0	N	MN0660100	15019218
	Penalty	12/4/2015	609.11.5a Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Drug Offenses with Weapon	Felony	DD5C0	N	MN0660100	15019218
	Penalty	12/4/2015	152.021.3(b) Drugs - 1st Degree - Sale/Possession - Penalty - Subseq Conviction-Mandatory Commitment 4-40 Years	Felony	DD5C0	N	MN0660100	15019218
2	Charge	12/4/2015	624.713.1(2) Possess Ammo/Any Firearm - Conviction or Adjudicated Delinquent for Crime of Violence	Felony	W1643	N	MN0660100	15019218
	Penalty	12/4/2015	624.713.2(b) Possesses any type of firearm/ammo - Crime of Violence - ineligible under 624.713.1(2)	Felony	W1643	N	MN0660100	15019218
3	Charge	12/4/2015	609.53.1 Receiving Stolen Property	Felony	Q122C	N	MN0660100	15019218
	Penalty	12/4/2015	609.52.3(2) Theft-Value over \$5,000 or Trade Secret, Explosive, Controlled Substance I or II	Felony	Q122C	N	MN0660100	15019218