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7 IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF RECORD
CITY OF HELENA, LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY, MONTANA
8 BEFORE A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

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9 THE STATE OF MONTANA,)

10 Plaintiff)

No. CR-515-2021-153

11 -vs-)

12 CHRISTOPHER A. COLLIGAN,)

C O M P L A I N T

13 Defendant.)

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14 STATE OF MONTANA)

: ss.

15 County of Lewis and Clark)



ORIGINAL

16 FALLON STANTON, Deputy County Attorney for Lewis and Clark County,
17 personally appeared before me this date, and being first duly sworn
18 according to law, complains and says:

19 The above-named defendant is accused by this Complaint of the
20 offenses of Count I - KIDNAPPING, a felony, in violation of Section
21 45-5-302, MCA, alleged to have occurred on or about March 2, 2021, Count
22 II - PARTNER OR FAMILY MEMBER ASSAULT (1st offense), a misdemeanor, in
23 violation of Section 45-5-206(1)(a), MCA, alleged to have occurred on or
24 about February 26, 2021, Count III - PARTNER OR FAMILY MEMBER ASSAULT (2nd
25 offense), a misdemeanor, in violation of Section 45-5-206(1)(a), MCA,
26 alleged to have occurred on or about March 2, 2021, and Count IV -
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1 UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE, a misdemeanor, in violation of Section
2 45-6-308, MCA, alleged to have occurred on or about March 2, 2021, at the
3 County of Lewis and Clark, State of Montana, alleged to have been committed
4 as follows:

5 Count I.

6 The facts constituting the offense contained in Count I are that on
7 or about March 2, 2021, at the County of Lewis and Clark, State of Montana,
8 the above-named defendant committed the offense of KIDNAPPING, a felony,
9 in violation of Section 45-5-302, MCA, in that the defendant knowingly
10 or purposely and without lawful authority restrained S.W. by either
11 secreting or holding the other person in isolation or by using or
12 threatening to use physical force.

13 Count II.

14 For a further and separate cause of action, being a different offense
15 than that otherwise set forth herein, the facts constituting the offense
16 contained in Count II are that on or about February 26, 2021, at the County
17 of Lewis and Clark, State of Montana, the above-named defendant committed
18 the offense of PARTNER OR FAMILY MEMBER ASSAULT (1st Offense), a
19 misdemeanor, in violation of Section 45-5-206(1) (a), MCA, in that the
20 defendant purposely or knowingly caused bodily injury to S.W., a partner.
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22 Count III.

23 For a further and separate cause of action, being a different offense
24 than that otherwise set forth herein, the facts constituting the offense
25 contained in Count III are that on or about March 2, 2021, at the County
26 of Lewis and Clark, State of Montana, the above-named defendant committed
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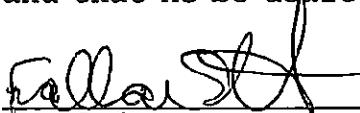
the offense of PARTNER OR FAMILY MEMBER ASSAULT (2nd Offense), a

1 misdemeanor, in violation of Section 45-5-206(1)(a), MCA, in that the
2 defendant purposely or knowingly caused bodily injury to S.W., a partner.

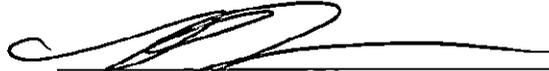
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4 Count IV.

5 For a further and separate cause of action, being a different
6 offense than that otherwise set forth herein, the facts constituting the
7 offense contained in Count IV are that on or about March 2, 2021, at the
8 County of Lewis and Clark, State of Montana, the above-named defendant
9 committed the offense of UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE, a
10 misdemeanor, in violation of Section 45-6-308, MCA, in that the defendant
11 knowingly operated an automobile belonging to another, without consent.

12 Said Complainant, therefore, prays that a warrant of arrest be issued
13 for the above-named defendant and that he be dealt with according to law.
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Complainant

17 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of March, 2021.

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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

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21 Bond for defendant is set at \$ _____
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THE STATE OF MONTANA,

*CFS # 030221-100

Plaintiff,

* DR # HP210895

Vs.

*AFFIDAVIT AND ORDER

RE: Probable cause

Christopher A. Colligan
Defendant.

ORIGINAL

STATE OF MONTANA)
 : ss.
County of Lewis and Clark)

The undersigned, being duly sworn, states as follows:

That I am the officer who arrested **Christopher A. Colligan** for the charges of:

Partner/Family Member Assault (M) 45-5-206, 2 counts
Intimidation, (F) MCA 45-5-203
Kidnapping, (F) MCA 45-5-302
Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle (M) MCA 45-6-308

Total bond: \$0

- On March 2, 2021, Officer Matt Post was assigned to uniform patrol and was dispatched to the 3100 block of Queen Anns St, regarding a stolen vehicle.
- Officer Post spoke with the female victim who stated her ex-boyfriend, identified as the defendant, left in her vehicle and did not have permission to use it.
- The female victim then described being injured by the defendant and told how just prior to him leaving in her vehicle, he punched her multiple times in the head and face. Officer Post observed injury consistent with the female victim's statement.
- The female victim said the defendant was driving and was pulled over at the time he was assaulting her. She stated she got out of the vehicle to get away from the defendant. She stated she was standing on the passenger side of the vehicle and reached through an open window to hand an item to the defendant. The defendant then pulled the female victim into the car by her arm (physical force) against her will.
- The defendant then drove the vehicle at a high rate of speed and would not let the female victim out of the car, leaving her isolated with just the defendant.
- The female victim described the defendant threatening to physically harm her if she told anyone about the assault or anything else that took place.
- While speaking with the female victim, she described another assault that happened on 2/26/21 at a local hotel, within Helena City limits. She stated at that time, the defendant got upset with her and pulled her hair, punched and grabbed her face. The towel rack in the bathroom was also reportedly broken. The female victim had visible injury (marks and cuts) that appeared to be in the healing process and were consistent with her account.
- On 03/03/2021 the defendant was located by Officer Cornish and brought to the LJC where I conducted an interview with him. The defendant admitted to pulling the female into the hotel room

by her hair on 02/26/2021. The defendant advised he was angry with the victim because she was antagonizing him. The defendant also admitted the female had been holding a dry wall knife but the blade was covered and she had not threatened him with it. The defendant then decided to take the knife from the victim. The defendant admitted the victim's mouth was likely bloodied during his struggle with her over the knife.

- Regarding the incident on 03/02/2021, the defendant corroborated driving at a very high rate of speed past Walmart. The defendant admitted to making the statement to the victim, "You'll pay for this bitch" as he drove away from the location he ultimately dropped her off. The defendant denied pulling the victim into the vehicle however.
- Officer Cornish responded to the hotel on 03/03/2021. Officer Cornish spoke with the complainant on the incident from 02/26/2021. The complainant confirmed the victim came into the lobby that day with blood coming from her mouth. The room was vacant but had not been cleaned. Officer Cornish noted the towel rack in the bathroom was clearly broken and there was what appeared to be dried blood on the floor of the bathroom. Officer Cornish also found a notable amount of long brown hair on the bathroom floor, in the area in which the victim reported the defendant pulled her hair.
- The defendant was arrested for the above listed charges and incarcerated at the LCSO Jail. The defendant had no prior convictions for PFMA.
- The defendant was positively identified by his Montana ID photograph.

Attested to by Helena Police Detective Brandon C. Wooten, this March 3, 2021

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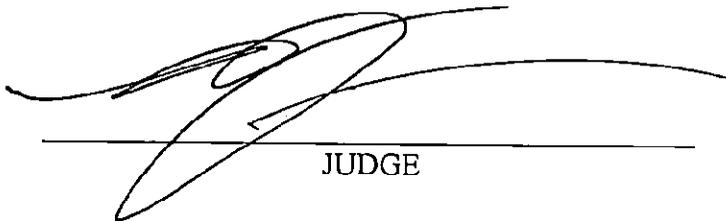
ORDER

The undersigned, having reviewed the foregoing and for good cause shown:

 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that probable cause is found to charge the above-named Defendant with the following charges:

 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that probable cause is not found to charge the above-named Defendant with the following charges:

Dated this 4 day of March , 2021



JUDGE

cc: Lewis and Clark County Jail
Lewis and Clark County Sheriff
Lewis and Clark County Attorney