



STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

STATE OF MISSOURI
COUNTY OF Jasper

Date: 3/5/2025

I, Lt. Trevor Hole, knowing that **false statements on this form are punishable by law**, state that the facts contained herein are true.

1. I have probable cause to believe on the date of March 4th, 2025 at approximately 9:35 p.m., 400 S. Orner Street, City of Carthage, County of Jasper, State of Missouri, Dylan Hershey, committed one or more criminal offense(s) of: Assault 1st Degree (RSMO 565.050), Armed Criminal Action (RSMO 571.015), and Unlawful Use of Weapons (RSMO 571.030).

Name: Dylan Jay Hershey
Arrested: 2:15 a.m. 03/05/2025

2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 03/04/2025 at approximately 9:39 p.m., the Carthage Police Department was contacted in reference to an assault involving gunshots. Multiple 911 calls reported hearing a large amount of gunshots in the area of Orner Street and Oak Street. Officers responded to the 400 block of South Orner and located a male victim, who was later identified as Victim 1, laying in the front yard with obvious gunshot wounds. Victim 1 was transported via ambulance to Mercy Joplin for multiple gunshot wounds.

One male was detained on scene, who was later identified as Defendant 2, and secured in the backseat of a patrol vehicle on scene. Defendant 2 complied with officer commands on scene and was detained without incident. Defendant 2 was later transported to the Carthage Police Department for further questioning. While on scene detectives were contacted by a male who stated that his son, who he identified as Dylan Hershey, had fled the scene was back at his residence approximately 1 block away. Detectives later responded and contacted Dylan at the residence and he agreed to come to the station for questioning. Dylan was openly carrying a firearm on his person. Detectives photographed and seized the firearm. While photographing the firearm, it was observed that two rounds were missing from the magazine and that they were nickel cased 9mm rounds.

While at the station, Dylan was advised of his Rights per Miranda, to which he advised that he understood. Dylan then requested his attorney and refused to speak with investigators. No other questions were asked involving the incident and a search warrant was obtained for gunshot residue swabs.

While Dylan was at the station, detectives were processing the crime scene and located 3 spent 9mm round casings that were nickel cased, matching the ammunition from the magazine in Dylan's firearm.

During the subsequent investigation, Witness 1 was on scene and present for the entirety of the incident. Witness 1 was standing on the passenger side of a vehicle in the driveway while the victim was sitting in the driver seat. Witness 1 observed Dylan pull a firearm from his person and point it at the victim through the driver side window telling them to get out or they were going to shoot him. Witness 1 then observed Dylan and the victim physically fighting while Dylan was still holding the firearm. Witness 1 then heard one gunshot and observed the victim running away from Dylan and Defendant 2. Witness 1 observed Dylan and Defendant 2 continue to shoot the victim as he was running away. Witness 1 identified Defendant 2 and Dylan Hershey as the two males who brandished firearms and also observed them shooting the victim.

Witness 1 observed Dylan fleeing the scene prior to officer arrival, and observed Defendant 2 remain on scene waiting for law enforcement.

Witness 1 had been on scene with Dylan and Defendant 2 prior to the victim's arrival. Dylan and Defendant 2 made comments that if the victim started problems they were going to shoot him and kill him.

On duty hospital staff notated that there were 21 total gunshot wounds to the victim.

3. **MISDEMEANORS AND FELONIES:** I am requesting the issuance of an arrest warrant based on the following:

☒ I believe that the defendant will not appear in court in response to a criminal summons because:

Dylan fled the scene prior to officer arrival and did not cooperate in the investigation.

☒ I believe that the defendant poses a danger to ☒ a crime victim / ☒ the community or to any other person because:

Dylan had made comments about handling the issue and shooting and killing the victim prior to the incident. Dylan presented the firearm prior to the altercation and then shot the victim as he was turned moving away from him. There were several people on scene in close proximity to all of the rounds being fired, and Dylan continued to fire rounds into the victim.

Print Name: Trevor Hole

Signature:



Agency Name: Carthage Police Department

Agency Case Number: 25-0552

OCN: ZX001238