

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

STATE OF MISSOURI
COUNTY OF Jasper

Date: 12/24/2024 (today's date)

I, Tpr. Blaine Bridges, 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 that on December 24, 2024(offense date) at Missouri 59 south of Apple Road, in Jasper County, Missouri (offense location), Jennifer Lea Maupin, (suspect name) a white female, (suspect description) committed one or more criminal offense(s) of : Driving While Intoxicated Death of Another - Class C Felony, 577.010. (State name of offense and statute number)

Name: Jennifer L. Maupin

Arrested: December 24, 2024, ; 1528 P.M.(Arrest date and time or NOT IN CUSTODY)

2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On Tuesday, December 24, 2024, at approximately 1500 hours, I was dispatched to an unknown injury motor vehicle crash on Missouri 59 south of Apple Road, in Jasper County, Missouri. I arrived on scene at approximately 1506 hours. Other emergency responders were already on scene. I was advised that there were three vehicles involved in the crash and that one of the drivers was deceased.

A dark green 2005 Hummer H2 was off the west side of the roadway flipped over onto its top. The Hummer was bearing 2025 Oklahoma registration QDM847. The driver of the Hummer was later identified by a temporary Oklahoma Driver License as Jennifer L. Maupin, a 43 year old White female. Maupin was the registered owner of the Hummer. A charcoal-colored 2014 Kia Soul was also off the west side of the roadway and came to rest in a gravel parking lot. The Kia sustained major front-end damage. The driver of the Kia was deceased and entrapped in the vehicle. The driver of the Kia was identified by a Missouri Driver License. The third vehicle that was involved in the crash was a tan 2002 Ford Explorer bearing 2026 Missouri registration 1PBK92. The Ford sustained damage on its driver's side. The driver of the Ford sustained minor injuries and was not transported for medical treatment.

EMS was treating Maupin in the back of an ambulance when I contacted her. Maupin identified herself to me and told me she was the driver of the Hummer. While I was in the back of the ambulance with Maupin, I could smell the odor of an intoxicating beverage. I began asking her some basic questions to obtain her information. I asked her if she had drank any alcohol, and she stated she had not. I asked Maupin to submit to a Preliminary Breath Test (PBT). Maupin refused. I left the ambulance for a brief time and then returned. When I returned, Maupin stated again that she would

not consent to a PBT. I conducted the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus (HGN) test on Maupin as she was laying on stretcher in the ambulance. As I conducted the test on Maupin I observed all six possible clues of nystagmus, as well as vertical nystagmus. At approximately 1528 hours, I placed Maupin under arrest for Driving While Intoxicated. Maupin was transported by Mercy Ambulance to Mercy Hospital in Joplin, Missouri, where she was treated for injuries.

Multiple witnesses and evidence at the scene revealed that the Hummer was northbound on Missouri 59 and the Kia and Ford were southbound on Missouri 59. Maupin failed to yield to oncoming traffic and drove the Hummer into the southbound lane to overtake the vehicle in front of her. The front of the Hummer struck the front of the Kia. Both vehicles traveled off the west side of Missouri 59. The Ford also sustained damage and traveled off the roadway.

3. **MISDEMEANORS AND FELONIES:** (If seeking a warrant) I am requesting 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:
(State specific facts supporting your belief)

I believe that the defendant poses a danger to a crime victim / the community or to any other person because: she operated a vehicle in an intoxicated condition causing a crash and killing another person. (State specific facts supporting your belief)

Print Name: Blaine Bridges Signature: Blaine Bridges

Supervisor: _____ Signature: _____

Agency Name: Missouri State Highway Patrol
Agency Case Number: 240642692
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