

State of Minnesota
County of Rice

District Court
3rd Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

A-16-0210
66-CR-16-144

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT
Order of Detention

vs.

STEVEN WESLEY ARONSON DOB: 05/11/1991

9600 Dennison Blvd S
Northfield, MN 55057

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: Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree

Minnesota Statute: 152.025.2(a)(1), with reference to: 152.025.2(a)
Maximum Sentence: Not more than 5 years prison, or \$10,000 fine, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/20/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16000098

Charge Description: On or about January 20, 2016, in Rice County, Steven Wesley Aronson, the defendant, did unlawfully and feloniously possess one or more mixtures containing a controlled substance classified in Schedule I, II, III, or IV, except a small amount of marijuana, to wit: methamphetamine.

COUNT II

Charge: Controlled Substance in the Fifth Degree

Minnesota Statute: 152.025.2(a)(1), with reference to: 152.025.2(a)
Maximum Sentence: Not more than 5 years prison, or \$10,000 fine, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/20/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16000098

Charge Description: On or about January 20, 2016, in Rice County, Steven Wesley Aronson, the defendant, did unlawfully and feloniously possess one or more mixtures containing a controlled substance classified in Schedule I, II, III, or IV, except a small amount of marijuana, to wit: a resinous form of marijuana, aka "wax".

COUNT III

Charge: Drugs - Possess Over 1.4 Grams Marijuana In Motor Vehicle

Minnesota Statute: 152.027.3, with reference to: 152.027.3

Maximum Sentence: 90 days in jail, or \$1,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 01/20/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16000098

Charge Description: On or about January 20, 2016, in Rice County, Steven Wesley Aronson, the defendant, the owner of a private motor vehicle, or the driver of a motor vehicle if the owner was not present, possessed on the person, or knowingly kept or allowed to be kept within the area of a motor vehicle normally occupied by the driver or passengers, more than 1.4 grams of marijuana.

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 January 20, 2016, at about 11:02 p.m., Northfield Police Officers were dispatched to SuperAmerica gas station, Northfield, Rice County, on a report that CORY JOSEPH WUNDERLICH, date of birth 12/21/1985, was at the location and was now in the process of leaving. It was reported that WUNDERLICH was in a blue vehicle with MN license plate no. 868NWX. Officer Wierson knew that STEVEN WESLEY ARONSON, date of birth 5/11/1991, was associated with the vehicle. Officer Wierson knew that WUNDERLICH has an active felony warrant for his arrest. Northfield Police Officers responded to the scene and located the vehicle; ARONSON was driving the vehicle. The vehicle was registered a family member of ARONSON's. There was another male in the front passenger seat. The officer could not see the passenger's face because the male was wearing a hood. The officer activated his emergency lights and conducted a stop of the vehicle. The officers approached the vehicle and saw WUNDERLICH in the front passenger seat.

WUNDERLICH was placed under arrest for the outstanding felony warrant. A search incident to arrest was conducted. WUNDERLICH said he had a pipe in his right front jacket pocket. The pipe had an oily brown residue in it. WUNDERLICH said he used the pipe to smoke hash, not methamphetamine. The officer knew, based on his training and experience, that the brown oily residue is hash oil or "wax."

The officer also located a metal pipe in WUNDERLICH's left inside jacket pocket. WUNDERLICH said the pipe was used to clean his smoking pipes. The end of the pipe had a brown sticky residue. The officer located a small glass smoking pipe in the small corner of his right front jean pocket. The pipe smelled of marijuana.

The officers also located brown substance inside a small plastic container on the passenger floor; this was where WUNDERLICH had been sitting. The officer knew based on his training that the substance was "wax." The officer noted that the "wax" (or resinous form of marijuana) located was worth \$100 (One Hundred Dollars) or more.

ARONSON admitted that the "weed bowl" belonged to him. He admitted that he had drug paraphernalia in the vehicle. The officers conducted a search of ARONSON's person. The officers located a small green container on ARONSON's person. There was a brown or dark substance inside of the container. The officer knew based on his training that the substance was "wax." ARONSON denied that the substance or container belonged to him; he indicated that it belonged to WUNDERLICH. ARONSON admitted that a brown waxy substance located on a green rubber tube was hash; the officer also found an electronic cigarette with a brown waxy substance. ARONSON said it belonged to him.

An officer also located a black bandana with a glass smoking pipe inside that was located on ARONSON's person. The pipe contained a white powder/crystal residue. The residue was suspected to be methamphetamine. The substance field-tested positive for methamphetamine. Methamphetamine is a schedule II narcotic.

The officers conducted a search of the vehicle. The officers located small bags, one had a white crystalline substance. The substance weighed 1.10 grams with packaging. The substance was field-tested; it field-tested positive for methamphetamine. A digital scale was also located in the vehicle. The scale had a white powder on it. A field test was conducted; the powder tested positive for methamphetamine. The officers also located a silver grinder inside of a backpack that contained a green leafy substance. The substance field-tested positive for marijuana. There was a mason jar with marijuana in it; the total weight of the marijuana was 22.15 grams. (The substance field-tested positive for marijuana). The backpack containing the items was located in the rear passenger seat area, just behind the driver's seat.

A small amount of marijuana does not include the resinous form (or "wax" form) of marijuana. 152.01, subd. 16.

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

Mark Dukatz
Deputy Chief
1615 Riverview Drive
Northfield, MN 55057
Badge: 6402

Electronically Signed:
01/21/2016 09:40 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:
01/21/2016 09:31 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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Execute in Border States

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: January 21, 2016.

Judicial Officer

John T Cajacob

Electronically Signed: 01/21/2016 10:33 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.

Steven Wesley Aronson

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: Steven Wesley Aronson
DOB: 05/11/1991
Address: 9600 Dennison Blvd S
Northfield, MN 55057
Alias Names/DOB:
SID: MN11EU0389
Fingerprints Required per Statute: Yes
Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record: Yes
Handgun Permit: No
Driver's License #: L432117926909 (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	1/20/2016	152.025.2(a)(1) Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana	Felony	DH5C8	N	MN0660200	16000098
	Penalty	1/20/2016	152.025.2(a) Drugs - 5th Degree - Possession - Penalty	Felony	DH5C8	N	MN0660200	16000098
2	Charge	1/20/2016	152.025.2(a)(1) Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana	Felony	DH548	N	MN0660200	16000098
	Penalty	1/20/2016	152.025.2(a) Drugs - 5th Degree - Possession - Penalty	Felony	DH548	N	MN0660200	16000098
3	Charge	1/20/2016	152.027.3 Drugs - Possess Over 1.4 Grams Marijuana In Motor Vehicle	Misdemeanor	DA540	N	MN0660200	16000098
	Penalty	1/20/2016	152.027.3 Drugs - Possess Over 1.4 Grams Marijuana In Motor Vehicle	Misdemeanor	DA540	N	MN0660200	16000098