

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT
Order of Detention

vs.

ANTHONY COSMOS BOWKER DOB: 07/13/1989

2811 11TH AVE S
#1
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55407

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: Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1), with reference to: 609.19.1(1)

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/06/2014

Control #(ICR#): 14427669

Charge Description: That on or about 12/6/2014, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, ANTHONY COSMOS BOWKER , caused the death of the Victim, a human being, with intent to effect the death of that person or another, but without premeditation.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

Complainant has investigated the facts and circumstances of this offense and believes the following establishes probable cause:

On December 6, 2014, around 1:30 p.m., Metro Transit Police Officers and Minneapolis Police Officers were dispatched to the Lake Street LRT Station, 2310 E Lake Street, City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, on a report of an assault in progress. Officers found an adult male lying on the floor at ground level of the LRT station. This male, identified as the 58-year-old Victim, was unresponsive and appeared to be bleeding from the head. EMS responded to the scene and transported the Victim to HCMC where he was pronounced dead on arrival. Officers observed multiple injuries on the left side of the Victim's body, including a large laceration on the left side of his neck and a stab wound in his left shoulder area. Investigators later learned from the Hennepin County Medical Examiner that the Victim died as a result of sharp force trauma and his manner of death was classified as a homicide. The Victim suffered multiple stab wounds, including a deep stab wound in the area of his left clavicle which passed through his posterior aortic arch and into his left lung. The Victim suffered extensive blood loss and over a liter of blood was found in his chest cavity during the examination.

Officers spoke with multiple witnesses on scene who reported that the altercation took place on the upper level platform, just outside the North light rail tower. Witness 1 told officers that he observed a male wearing a camouflage jacket and black stocking cap "pounding on" the Victim. Witness 1 observed the Victim walk down the stairs to the lower level with the male suspect following the Victim. Witness 2 observed three males yelling at the Victim. Witness 2 observed the males follow the Victim down the stairs and specifically saw one of the males kick the Victim in the head after he had collapsed.

Investigators reviewed video surveillance from the Lake Street LRT Station that captured multiples views of the stabbing. They observed the Victim take the escalator to the upper level platform after entering the LRT station. The Victim stood on the platform for several minutes and appeared to be waiting for a train. Investigators next observed a male wearing a camouflage jacket and black stocking cap, later identified as Defendant ANTHONY BOWKER, arrive on the upper level platform. After searching the platform for a short time, the Defendant appeared to notice the Victim. The Defendant then took out a switchblade style knife and chased the Victim around the glass enclosed stairway bay. The Defendant reached the Victim and grabbed onto him as the Victim attempted to exit the upper level platform. The Defendant stabbed the Victim with the knife multiple times in the left side of the Victim's neck area. The Victim fled down the stairs to the lower level platform where he collapsed. The video shows that the Defendant and his companions followed the Victim down the stairs. The Defendant walked up to the incapacitated Victim as he lay on the floor bleeding and forcibly kicked him in the head before leaving the LRT station.

Following their review of the LRT video, Investigators sought to determine whether the Victim had any contact with the Defendant or his companions prior to the stabbing. Investigators discovered exterior video surveillance which captured a brief contact on Lake Street between the Victim and the Defendant's companions which occurred approximately fifteen minutes before the stabbing. The Defendant was not present during this interaction. After what appeared to be a verbal exchange between the Victim and the Defendant's companions, the Victim walked away from the group and walked into the LRT station. The Defendant's companions moved toward the LRT station where they appeared to wait for the Defendant. After the Defendant joined them, the group conferred. The Defendant then ran into the LRT station, followed by the others. Video reveals that after the Defendant and his companions entered the station, they traveled to the upper level platform. After the Defendant walked around the platform briefly, two of the Defendant's companions were observed gesturing toward the Victim. The Defendant immediately took out the switchblade knife and advanced on the Victim from behind. The fatal stabbing occurred moments later.

Over the course of their ongoing investigation, Investigators identified the Defendant and placed him under arrest. In a recorded, post-Miranda statement, the Defendant admitted that he was present on Lake Street with some companions on the day of the incident. The Defendant left the group briefly and, after he returned, was informed that there had been a dispute between his companions and an unknown male who had gone into the LRT station. The Defendant admitted that he was armed with a knife and ran into the upper level of the LRT station, followed by his companions. Two of his companions pointed the Victim out to the Defendant and identified him as the male with whom they had the dispute. The Defendant admitted that he struck the Victim with a knife, fled the scene, and disposed of the knife.

The Defendant is currently in custody.

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	Ann Kjos Sergeant 350 S 5th St Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389 Badge: 004898	Electronically Signed: 12/10/2014 02:17 PM
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Subscribed and sworn to before the undersigned.

Notary Public or Judicial Official	Emily Dunphy, Peace Officer License Number: 14444, Hennepin County, Minnesota. My license expires: 06/30/2015 Sergeant 350 S 5th St Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389	Electronically Signed: 12/10/2014 02:22 PM
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Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

Prosecuting Attorney	Judith Hawley 300 S 6th St Minneapolis, MN 55487 (612) 348-5550	Electronically Signed: 12/10/2014 02:14 PM
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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 401 Fourth Avenue S, Minneapolis, MN 55415 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 Nationwide

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: \$2,000,000.00

Conditions of Release: No Contact with Address; No Possession of Weapons; No use of drugs/alcohol; No Contact with Witnesses

This complaint is issued by the undersigned Judge as of the following date: December 10, 2014.

Judicial Officer

Tamara Garcia
Judge

Electronically Signed: 12/10/2014 02:26 PM

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

**COUNTY OF HENNEPIN
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

State of Minnesota

Plaintiff

vs.

ANTHONY COSMOS BOWKER

Defendant

Clerk's Signature or File Stamp:

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: