

**State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin**

**District Court
Fourth Judicial District**

CCT 1 LIST CHARGE STATUTE ONLY 609.19 MOC H2312 GOC N CTY ATTY FILE NO. 14-4499 CONTROLLING AGENCY MN0271100 CONTROL NO 14024461

COURT CASE NO. DATE FILED

if more than 6 counts (see attached) if Domestic Assault as defined by MS 518B01, sub2a,b

State of Minnesota,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

- Amended Tab Charge Previously Filed
- SERIOUS FELONY SUMMONS
- FELONY WARRANT
- GROSS MISDM DWI ORDER OF DETENTION
- GROSS MISDM EXTRADITION

NAME: first, middle, last
BRANDON DEANDRE BELL
aka **BRANDON DEONDRE BELL**

Date of Birth **6/20/89** MNCIS #: **27-CR-**
LE#: **14-11226**
SILS ID: **619859**
TRACK ID: **2707936**

DEFENDANT,

6301 PLEASANT AVE S APT 2
RICHFIELD, MN 55423

COMPLAINT

The Complainant, being duly sworn, makes complaint to the above-named Court and states that there is probable cause to believe that the Defendant committed the following offense(s). The complainant states that the following facts establish PROBABLE CAUSE:

Complainant, Christopher Thomsen, of the Minneapolis Police Department, has investigated the facts and circumstances of this offense and believes the following establishes probable cause:

On January 23, 2014, at approximately 9:30 p.m., Minneapolis police responded to a call regarding shots fired in the area of East 45th Street and 1st Avenue South, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota. Upon arrival officers learned that two vehicles had left the scene. Officers canvased the area and located a shell casing in the area. A witness who lived at 4500 1st Avenue South approached officers and advised them that he had surveillance cameras covering the area of the incident. Officers reviewed the video, which showed two vehicles pull up and park. At some point a male who exited one of the vehicles appeared to be firing multiple shots at the other vehicle as it pulled away eastbound on 45th Street and then northbound on 1st Avenue South.

At the same time, State Patrol responded to a report of a vehicle off the road at the 35th Street entrance ramp to northbound 35W. Troopers observed the driver of the vehicle, a known adult male identified as D.C.H. to have been shot in the leg. A large pool of blood was observed on the floor of the driver's side. D.C.H. seemed to be slipping in and out of consciousness, but he was able to tell Troopers that "Brandon" shot him in the area of 45th and 1st.

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Officers then responded to Hennepin County Medical Center where members of D.C.H.'s family were convening. One of the family members, D.C.H.'s niece reported that D.C.H. had been at her house earlier in the evening and while he was there, he received a phone call between 8:00 and 8:15 p.m. and told the caller he would be leaving soon. D.C.H. then left approximately 15 minutes later. He then called his niece around 9:15 p.m. and said, "the nigga shot me, remember the name Brian, same people that ran up in my house." Officers took D.C.H.'s cell phone and reviewed numbers of incoming and outgoing calls. One number came up repeatedly and officers were able to track it to a person identified as Brandon Bell. The examination report for D.C.H.'s phone showed eight incoming calls from the phone listing to Brandon Bell between 6:52 p.m. and 9:22 p.m. on January 23rd. Further investigation revealed Brandon Bell to be **BRANDON DEANDRE BELL**, Defendant herein.

Your Complainant received the case for investigation and learned that D.C.H. died at approximately 1:55 a.m. on January 26th of complications from the gunshot wound. The Hennepin County Medical Examiner's office informed your Complainant that the manner of death would be ruled a homicide.

A probable cause pickup for Defendant had been issued and Defendant was arrested on January 26th. Your Complainant interviewed Defendant on January 26th after advising him of his Miranda rights. Defendant first stated that he had been buying weed from D.C.H. in the area of 45th and 1st on January 23rd when another vehicle pulled up. Defendant stated that as he drove away he heard what sounded like a gunshot. When confronted with the video evidence, Defendant changed his story and said that D.C.H. had stolen between \$10,000 and \$12,000 from him several weeks prior. Defendant had given D.C.H. this money so that D.C.H. could go to Colorado and buy marijuana. D.C.H. ended up telling Defendant that his money "got took." Defendant said when he met up with D.C.H. on January 23rd, his intention was first to buy weed, but then he changed his mind and decided to rob D.C.H. of whatever money or weed he had with him. Defendant stated that he pulled out his gun and pointed it at D.C.H. while he was feeling around in the back of the vehicle for any money or drugs. Defendant then said that D.C.H. also had a gun, a "little derringer" that he pulled out and when Defendant grabbed for it, the gun accidentally went off, hitting D.C.H. in the leg. Defendant stated that the gun he had was long gone. When confronted with the video evidence that showed Defendant shooting at D.C.H.'s car, he said that he slipped on some ice, which probably caused his gun to go off.

Defendant is in custody.

COMPLAINT SUPPLEMENT

CCT	SECTION/Subdivision	M.O.C.	GOC

OFFENSE

COUNT 1: MURDER IN THE SECOND DEGREE (FELONY)
MINN. STAT. § 609.19, SUBD. 2(1); § 609.11
PENALTY: 3-40 YEARS

That on or about January 23, 2014, Minneapolis, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, **BRANDON DEANDRE BELL**, while using a firearm, did without intent to effect the death of any person, cause the death of D.C.H., a human being, while committing or attempting to commit the felony offense of aggravated robbery.

NOTICE: You must appear for every court hearing on this charge. A failure to appear for court on this charge is a criminal offense and may be punished as provided in Minn. Stat. § 609.49.

<i>THEREFORE, Complainant requests that said Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release be:</i>	
1) <i>arrested or that other lawful steps be taken to obtain defendant's appearance in court; or</i>	
2) <i>detained, if already in custody, pending further proceedings;</i>	
<i>and that said Defendant otherwise be dealt with according to law.</i>	
COMPLAINANT'S NAME: Christopher Thomsen	COMPLAINANT'S SIGNATURE:
<i>Being duly authorized to prosecute the offense(s) charged, I hereby approve this Complaint.</i>	
DATE: January 28, 2014 tmy	PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S SIGNATURE:
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY:	
NAME/TITLE: DEBORAH L. RUSSELL (242998) Assistant County Attorney	ADDRESS/TELEPHONE: C2100 Government Center, Minneapolis, MN 55487 Telephone: 612-348-6077

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This COMPLAINT was subscribed and sworn to before the undersigned this ____ day of _____, 20____.

NAME:

SIGNATURE:

TITLE:

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 his detention, if already in custody, pending further proceedings. The Defendant(s) is/are thereof charged with the above-stated offense.

SUMMONS

THEREFORE YOU, THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S), ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear on the _____ day of _____, 20____ at _____ AM/PM before the above-named court at _____ to answer this complaint.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR in response to this SUMMONS, a WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST shall be issued.

WARRANT

EXECUTE IN MINNESOTA ONLY

To the sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this WARRANT; I hereby order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the above-named Defendant(s) be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the above-named 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 thereafter as such Judge or Judicial Officer is available) to be dealt with according to law.

ORDER OF DETENTION

Since the above-named Defendant(s) is already in custody; I hereby order, subject to bail or conditions of release, that the above-named Defendant(s) continue to be detained pending further proceedings.

Bail: \$1,000,000 +CR

Conditions of Release: **No contact with witness(es); No use of drugs/alcohol; Random Ua's; Make all appearances; Remain law abiding**

This COMPLAINT- ORDER OF DETENTION duly subscribed and sworn to, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer this ____ day of _____, 20____.

NAME:

SIGNATURE

TITLE: **JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT**

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

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

Clerk's Signature or File Stamp:

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Plaintiff

vs.

BRANDON DEANDRE BELL
aka BRANDON DEONDRE BELL

Defendant(s).

RETURN OF SERVICE

I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this COMPLAINT – SUMMONS, WARRANT, ORDER OF DETENTION upon Defendant(s) herein-named.

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: