

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 16A13516
Court File No. 27-CR-16-30258

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA DOB: 08/17/1974

2712 Humboldt Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Warrant

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: 609.17.4(2), 609.19.1

Maximum Sentence: HALF OF, 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/18/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16417326

Charge Description: That on or about 11/18/2016, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA , attempted to cause the death of Victim, a human being, with intent to effect the death of that person or another, but without premeditation.

COUNT II

Charge: Assault-3rd Degree-Victim Under Four

Minnesota Statute: 609.223.3, with reference to: 609.223.3, 609.101.2

Maximum Sentence: 5 YEARS AND/OR \$3,000-\$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/18/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16417326

Charge Description: That on or about 11/18/2016, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA assaulted Victim, a child under four years of age, and NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA caused bodily harm to the child's head, eyes, or neck, or otherwise caused multiple bruises to the child's body.

COUNT III

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Operation - Great Bodily Harm - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves

Scene

Minnesota Statute: 609.2113.1(7), with reference to: 609.2113.1

Maximum Sentence: 5 YEARS AND/OR \$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/18/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16417326

Charge Description: That on or about 11/18/2016, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA did, by operating a motor vehicle, cause a collision that caused great bodily harm to J.C. and NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA left the scene of that collision.

COUNT IV**Charge: Criminal Vehicular Operation - Substantial Bodily Harm - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene**

Minnesota Statute: 609.2113.2(7), with reference to: 609.2113.2

Maximum Sentence: 3 YEARS AND/OR \$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/18/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16417326

Charge Description: That on or about 11/18/2016, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA did, by operating a motor vehicle, cause a collision that caused substantial bodily harm to A.L. and NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA left the scene of that collision.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

On or about November 18, 2016, at approximately 9:44 a.m., Minneapolis police officers responded to a report that a child had been hanged at a home daycare in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota. Officers learned the daycare was operated by an adult female NATALIYA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA, Defendant herein. Upon arrival, officers observed a sixteen month-old baby, Victim herein, in an ambulance receiving medical care from the paramedics. Victim was crying and had visible injuries to his neck.

Officers spoke with Victim's mother who stated she dropped her son off with Defendant at approximately 8:50 a.m. that morning. She stated Victim had a cold but was otherwise healthy. She stated they recently started bringing Victim to Defendant's daycare within the past three weeks.

Officers spoke with an adult male, J.S., who stated he brought his three year-old child to Defendant's daycare that morning. When he arrived to drop off his child, Defendant told him she couldn't take it anymore. Defendant told him to look at what she did. J.S. went to the top of the stairwell leading to the basement, where he heard the sound of a baby crying. He went down the stairs and saw the baby hanging in the air from a noose attached to the ceiling. He stated the noose was wrapped around the baby's neck and the baby's face was discolored. J.S. pulled the baby down from the noose and left the residence. J.S. contacted his wife, and she called 911. She went to Defendant's residence and tended to the other young children at the daycare until police arrived.

Defendant left the residence in her minivan and drove eastbound on West 28th Street. Defendant rear-ended a vehicle that was stopped at a red light at West 28th Street and Grand Avenue South. That vehicle was pushed into another vehicle, driven by an adult male, A.L., who exited his vehicle to check on the other drivers. Defendant reversed her vehicle and then sped around the other two vehicles. Defendant struck A.L. with the front of her vehicle. A.L. was dragged by Defendant's vehicle for over ten blocks. Defendant drove through several intersections without stopping. Defendant ran a red light at 28th Street East and Park Avenue and hit another male, J.C., who was on a bicycle. J.C. was riding his bicycle in the designated bike lane and was crossing 28th Street on a green light. He stated he believed Defendant's vehicle was traveling eastbound on East 28th Street and attempted to turn northbound on to Park Avenue when he was struck.

Defendant did not stop despite several civilians who attempted to physically stop her vehicle after they witnessed her hit the cyclist. Defendant drove northbound on Park Avenue until a civilian drove her vehicle in front of Defendant's vehicle to slow her down. Defendant eventually stopped at Park Avenue and 18th Street, where she exited her vehicle and attempted to jump off the bridge onto the freeway below. Defendant was restrained by civilians until she was apprehended by police.

Both adult victims were transported to the Hennepin County Medical Center, HCMC herein, for treatment for their injuries. A.L. suffered a broken ankle, broken ribs, and multiple abrasions. J.C.'s leg was severely broken, requiring surgery and a permanent rod was placed in his leg.

Victim was transported to HCMC and received treatment for his injuries in the pediatric intensive care unit. Victim had severe ligature marks around his neck and on his face.

Crime lab technicians processed the scene and located two pairs of child sized tights hanging from a pipe in the ceiling in the basement. The tights were tied together to form a noose. Directly below the noose was

a child-sized chair.

Defendant is currently being held at HCMC.

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

Luis Porras
Sergeant
350 S 5th St
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389
Badge: 5786

Electronically Signed:
11/22/2016 03:17 PM
Hennepin County, Minnesota

Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

Prosecuting Attorney

Christina Warren
300 S 6th St
Minneapolis, MN 55487
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:
11/22/2016 03:09 PM

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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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 Victim; No Contact with Minors/Males/Females under age of: no contact with children under 18; No use of drugs/alcohol; Remain Law Abiding; Random UAs

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: November 22, 2016.

Judicial Officer John McShane Electronically Signed: 11/22/2016 03:37 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.

NATALIIA MYKHAYLIVNA KARIA

Defendant

*LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Warrant
upon the Defendant herein named.*

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: