

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 16A11174
Court File No. 27-CR-16-25177

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ DOB: 08/10/1979

2610 Halstead Lane
Mound, MN 55364

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Order of Detention

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: Criminal Sexual Conduct-1st Degree-Penetration - Fear Great Bodily Harm

Minnesota Statute: 609.342.1(c), with reference to: 609.342.2(a), 609.342.2(b), 609.101.2, 609.342.2(c), 609.3455.10

Maximum Sentence: 30 YEARS AND/OR \$12,000-\$40,000, PLUS CONDITIONAL RELEASE

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15442440

Charge Description: That on or about 12/4/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ engaged in sexual penetration with victim, and circumstances existing at the time of the act caused the victim to have a reasonable fear of imminent great bodily harm to herself.

COUNT II

Charge: Criminal Sexual Conduct-1st Degree-Penetration -Armed w/Danger Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.342.1(d), with reference to: 609.342.2(a), 609.342.2(b), 609.101.2, 609.342.2(c)

Maximum Sentence: 30 YEARS AND/OR \$12,000-\$40,000, PLUS CONDITIONAL RELEASE

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15442440

Charge Description: That on or about 12/4/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ, engaged in sexual penetration with victim, and MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ, while armed with a dangerous weapon or any article used or fashioned in a manner to lead the victim to reasonably believe it to be a dangerous weapon, used or threatened to use the weapon to cause the victim to submit, to wit: a knife.

COUNT III

Charge: Criminal Sexual Cond-1st Degree-Penetration - Injury - Use Force/Coerce

Minnesota Statute: 609.342.1(e)(i), with reference to: 609.342.2(a), 609.342.2(b), 609.101.2, 609.342.2(c), 609.3455.10

Maximum Sentence: 30 YEARS AND/OR \$12,000-\$40,000, PLUS CONDITIONAL RELEASE

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15442440

Charge Description: That on or about 12/4/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ engaged in (sexual penetration) (sexual contact, as defined in Minn. Stat. 609.341, Subd. 11(c),) with (victim), and caused personal injury to her using force or coercion to accomplish sexual penetration.

COUNT IV

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1, with reference to: 609.222.1, 609.101.2

Maximum Sentence: 7 YEARS AND/OR \$4,200-\$14,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15442440

Charge Description: That on or about 12/4/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ, assaulted victim, while possessing a knife.

COUNT V

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1, with reference to: 609.222.1, 609.101.2

Maximum Sentence: 7 YEARS AND/OR \$4,200-\$14,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15442440

Charge Description: That on or about 12/4/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ , assaulted victim, while using a torch

COUNT VI

Charge: False Imprisonment-Intentional Restraint

Minnesota Statute: 609.255.2, with reference to: 609.255.2

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/04/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15442440

Charge Description: That on or about 12/4/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ intentionally confined or restrained victim without her consent and MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ knew he did not have legal authority to do so.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

On or about December 4, 2015 Minneapolis Police were dispatched to a church on Fillmore St NE, in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota in regards to a female that had stab wounds. When officers arrived they saw the female was crying and had a lot of visible blood on a towel, her neck and hands. Officers learned that a bystander had seen the woman walking around crying and bloody and called 911. At this time officers were unable to get any more information from the female.

Sgt. Wentz was assigned follow up on the case and met with the female victim and was able to get an account from her about what had transpired. She indicated she was a prostitute and had placed an ad on Backpages and went to a male's apartment by a taxi he sent for her. When she went into the male's apartment she noticed there were ropes and duct tape on the table. She said that at that point he made small talk, but then he bound her hands and put duct tape on her mouth. She continued he bound her arms and legs. The male then cut her clothes off with a knife and begin to suck on her exposed breasts. She made it clear that she was trying to get him to stop and none of this was ok with her and she was in tremendous fear.

The male then removed the duct tape from her mouth and forced her to give him oral sex. He then inserted his fingers into her vagina and then put his penis into her vagina and continued to rape her. She stated she continued to tell him to no and to stop and when the duct tape was on her mouth she continued to try to tell him to stop and he knew she didn't want to be doing this. "I told him no the whole time and he knows that." She stated he took an eye mask out and put it on her at one point and he kept threatening to stab her with the knife. The male later took out a small blow torch and burned her with it. The male continued to sexually assault her by taking a dildo and inserting into her vagina.

After this he then took her into his shower and he still had the knife and he began to slice the front of her neck and then, "that's when he pretty much stabbed me the first time", she explained she felt blood everywhere and she fell to the bathroom floor. She was somehow able to summons strength to break free from the rope and she grabbed the blade of the knife and he said "I am not going to kill you, I can't go to jail, I can't go to jail" and he flips her over and then stabs her again. At that point she explains that the male took the duct tape off and she promised him she wouldn't call the police, the male then calmed down and got her a towel for the blood and he also got her clothes and that is when she took off and didn't look back.

The victim had a sexual exam performed and DNA evidence was collected. DNA analysis was performed and the DNA revealed the identity of the rapist as MATTHEW JOEL REINITZ, the Defendant. Sgt. Wentz spoke to the Defendant in a recorded mirandized interview and he admitted to binding the victim, and having sex with her and there was a purple dildo. He also admitted there was a torch there, but it was not used. The Defendant also admitted the there was a knife and he cut the victim by putting the knife to her throat and "it got out of hand and I stabbed her". He stated he fled the house because he didn't want to get caught.

The Defendant has a prior conviction for criminal sexual conduct in the first degree and assault in the second degree in 27-CR-03-022889. Sgt. Wentz reports the circumstances in this conviction are very similar and the State will be pursuing a motion for other acts evidence.

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 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.

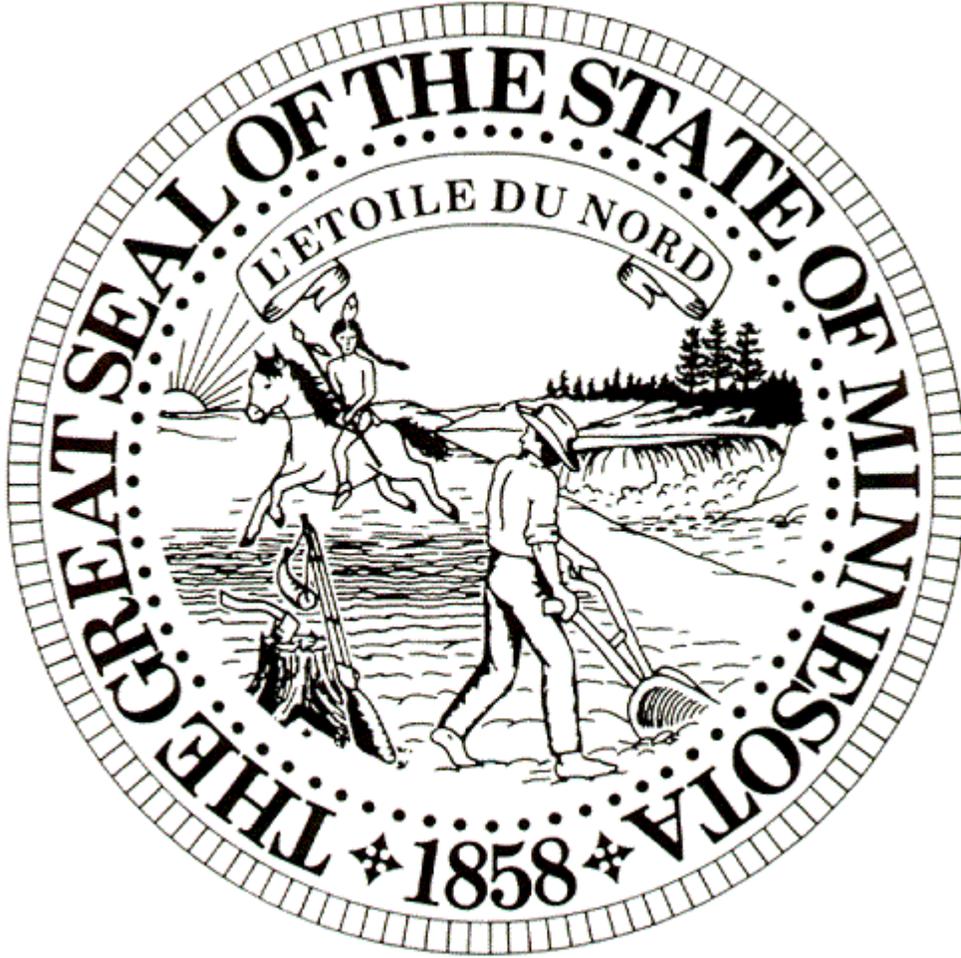
Complainant

Matt C Wentz
Sgt.
350 S 5th St

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Hennepin County, Minnesota

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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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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: \$1,000,000.00

Conditions of Release: Other: no contact with victim

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: September 22, 2016.

Judicial Officer

Janet Poston
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 09/22/2016 01:34 PM

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

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STATE OF MINNESOTA**

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*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: