

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 18A13702
Court File No. 27-CR-18-27618

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT
Order of Detention

vs.

RODNEY DONTA JACKSON DOB: 10/11/1991

NPA

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: 609.11.5(a), 609.19.1, 609.11.9

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/06/2018

Control #(ICR#): 18371096

Charge Description: That on or about 11/6/2018, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, RODNEY DONTA JACKSON, caused the death of M.A., a human being, with intent to effect the death of that person or another, but without premeditation, while using a firearm.

Minimum Sentence: 3 YEARS

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

On November 6, 2018, officers were called to a gas station in the 2400 block of Bloomington Avenue South, City of Minneapolis, County of Hennepin, State of Minnesota, on a report of a shooting. Officers arrived and found M.A., a known adult male, on the ground with an apparent gunshot wound to the head. M.A. was transported to the hospital by ambulance where he later died. The Hennepin County Medical Examiner found the cause of death to be a gunshot wound to M.A.'s head.

Officers reviewed surveillance footage from the gas station and surrounding areas. Additionally, officers spoke with witnesses on scene. Officers learned that RODNEY DONTA JACKSON, "the Defendant," had driven to the gas station in his Chevrolet SUV along with his girlfriend, D.L., a known adult female. The Defendant pulled up to a gas pump before heading into the store with D.L. Thereafter, the Defendant and D.L. exit the store and return to their SUV. At this point, officers learned that the Defendant's vehicle had been boxed in. To the rear of the Defendant's vehicle was another SUV while a vehicle driven by M.A. was to the front. Officers learned that M.A., D.L., and the Defendant were engaged in an argument with words being exchange from all parties. D.L. was out of the vehicle and threw a Vaseline container at M.A. while the Defendant was telling her to get back in the car.

The Defendant was able to maneuver his vehicle out of the parking lot after the SUV behind his vehicle moved. Surveillance video shows the Defendant drive out of the parking lot and park across the street. Officers noted from surveillance footage that D.L. got out of the SUV at approximately the same time M.A. was throwing rocks in her and the Defendant's direction. Additionally, a witness on scene observed an individual throwing rocks.

Surveillance footage then shows the Defendant holding a handgun out of the driver's side window. Officers learned one shot was fired by the Defendant at M.A., striking M.A. in the head. M.A. took several steps before falling to the ground. By this time, D.L. had re-entered the SUV and the Defendant drove away.

Officers were able to track the Defendant to a movie theater in Roseville where he and D.L. were detained. The Defendant was found in the same vehicle that he was observed driving at the gas station. Officers located a .40 caliber semiautomatic handgun on the Defendant's person. The Defendant was subsequently interviewed and admitted to officers that he had shot M.A. using the recovered gun. The Defendant stated he did not call the police as he believed he was being followed and later drove to North Minneapolis to get food before going to a movie.

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

Molly Fischer
sgt
350 S 5th St
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389
Badge: 2023

Electronically Signed:
11/08/2018 11:47 AM
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Mike Radmer
300 S 6th St
Minneapolis, MN 55487
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:
11/08/2018 11:43 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 300 S Sixth Street, Minneapolis, MN 55487 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.

Execute in MN Only

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: \$1,000,000.00
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: November 8, 2018.

Judicial Officer

Marta M. Chou
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 11/08/2018 11:59 AM

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

**COUNTY OF HENNEPIN
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

State of Minnesota

Plaintiff

vs.

Rodney Donta Jackson

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: Rodney Donta Jackson
DOB: 10/11/1991
Address: NPA
Alias Names/DOB:
SID: MN12EZ5717
Height:
Weight:
Eye Color:
Hair Color:
Gender: MALE
Race: Black
Fingerprints Required per Statute: Yes
Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record: Yes
Driver's License #:
SILS Person ID #: 680575
SILS Tracking No. 3065157
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	11/6/2018	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2013		MN0271100	18371096
	Modifier	11/6/2018	609.11.9 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment - Applicable Offenses	No-Level	H2013		MN0271100	18371096
	Penalty	11/6/2018	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2013		MN0271100	18371096
	Penalty	11/6/2018	609.11.5(a) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm Use or Possession	Felony	H2013		MN0271100	18371096