

State of Minnesota  
County of Hennepin

District Court  
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 15A51277  
Court File No. 27-CR-15-34366

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**State of Minnesota,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**KEITH EUGENE WASHINGTON DOB: 06/18/1976**

4018 RUSSELL AVE N  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55412

Defendant.

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**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), 609.17.4(2), 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): 12/06/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15444363

Charge Description: That on or about 12/6/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, KEITH EUGENE WASHINGTON attempted to engaged in sexual penetration with the 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 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), 609.17.4(2), 609.101.2, 609.3455.3a(a), 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): 12/06/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15444363

Charge Description: That on or about 12/6/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, KEITH EUGENE WASHINGTON attempted to engage in sexual penetration the victim and caused personal injury to her using force or coercion to accomplish sexual penetration.

**COUNT III**

**Charge: Criminal Sex Conduct-1st Degree-Penetration -Victim Mentally Impaired/ Physically Helpless**

Minnesota Statute: 609.342.1(e)(ii), with reference to: 609.342.2(a), 609.342.2(b), 609.17.4(2), 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): 12/06/2015

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Charge Description: That on or about 12/6/2015, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, KEITH EUGENE WASHINGTON attempted to engage in sexual penetration with the victim and caused personal injury to her knowing or having reason to know that the victim was mentally impaired, mentally incapacitated, or physically helpless.

**COUNT IV**

**Charge: Assault-3rd Degree-Substantial Bodily Harm**

Minnesota Statute: 609.223.1, with reference to: 609.223.1, 609.101.2

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/06/2015

Control #(ICR#): 15444363

Charge Description: That on or about 12/6/2015, in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, KEITH EUGENE WASHINGTON assaulted Victim and inflicted substantial bodily harm.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

On December 6, 2015 at approximately 4:43 a.m., Minneapolis Police were dispatched to 2810 Emerson Ave. N., Minneapolis, in Hennepin County, Minnesota on a report of a potential Criminal Sexual Conduct in progress. Upon arriving at that location, police officers observed an unconscious adult female victim lying in the grass in front of the address. The victim's black t-shirt appeared torn or stretched out and it was pulled up exposing her bra and breasts. Her jeans were unbuttoned and pulled slightly down along with her underwear. There was a wet spot in the crotch area of her jeans. She had red marks along her neck and showed signs of fresh bruising. She had grass and wood chips in her clothing and in her hair. Police tried to rouse her. She made a sudden gasp for air, then took a deep breath, covered her mouth with both hands and said, "He raped me." The victim then began to sob uncontrollably.

The victim was eventually able to report that she was with her sister at area bars earlier in the evening. She stated that she got into an argument with her sister and went outside to call another sister for a ride home. While waiting outside and talking on the phone, the Defendant approached the victim and began speaking to her, bothering her.

After walking with her for a couple of blocks the Defendant tackled the victim to the ground. He began to choke her using his forearm against her throat while sitting on top of her. He then put both of his hands around her throat and squeezed so hard that she couldn't breathe or make a sound. The victim thought she was going to die. She then blacked out. When the victim regained consciousness the police were there and the Defendant was gone. The victim noticed that her pants were unbuttoned and unzipped. The victim noted that her cell phone was missing.

The victim was transported by ambulance to Hennepin County Medical Center for a Sexual Assault (SARS) exam. The SARS medical exam revealed signs of strangulation including bruising and tenderness in the victim's neck and bilateral petichiae in her eyes and on her face. DNA swabbings from the victim's body were sent to the BCA for further testing.

Two known adults at the scene approached the officers and explained that they were walking east in 28th St. E. when they heard muffled screams coming from a female. They observed a black male forcing a female to the ground. They observed the male sitting on top of a female who was lying on the ground. They asked "Are you okay?" The male replied, "She's fine." The two known adults then began to walk over to the male, as they were concerned for the well-being of the female. But the male pointed something at them menacingly. The two crossed Emerson St. eastbound to get away and hid behind a white truck while they called 911 and waited for police to arrive. They described the suspect as a black male in his thirties with a brown or black leather jacket and bald head.

While canvassing the area, police located a male, later identified as the DEFENDANT, KEITH EUGENE WASHINGTON aka MONROE BERNARD WASHINGTON, that matched the suspect's physical and clothing description, walking on 28th St.. Washington's pants, shoes and socks were covered in dirt. The victim's cell phone and identification card were found in the possession of the Defendant. Defendant also possessed the cell phone, identification card and a bag with groceries that were taken from another sexual assault victim less than two hours prior and a few blocks away. That victim also reported being choked to unconsciousness then sexually assaulted.

On December 7, 2015, after having waived his rights per Miranda, the Defendant admitted to getting lost in the area that evening after going to several bars. He stated that he found a female moaning on the ground,

so he kicked her foot to see if she was alright. He then told a white male to call police because he thought the female was drunk.

In 2000, the defendant was convicted of Criminal Sexual Conduct in the First Degree. On that occasion, the defendant arrived at an adult female acquaintance's home at approximately 2:00 a.m. The defendant strangled this female until she lost consciousness. When she awoke, she was completely naked and the suspect was penetrating her vagina with his penis. The female scratched the defendant. The defendant then strangled the victim to unconsciousness again. When she awoke the second time, the defendant was gone. As a result of this conviction, the defendant is required to register as a predatory offender.

The defendant is 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**

Stot Dunphy  
Police  
350 S 5th St  
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389  
Badge: 1624

Electronically Signed:  
12/08/2015 11:08 AM  
Minneapolis County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

Therese Galatowitsch  
300 S 6th St  
Minneapolis, MN 55487  
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:  
12/08/2015 11:02 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 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.

*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: \$500,000.00

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: December 8, 2015.

**Judicial Officer**

Daniel Mabley  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 12/08/2015 11:24 AM

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

**COUNTY OF HENNEPIN  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**State of Minnesota**

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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: