

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 23A06895
Court File No. 27-CR-23-12910

State of Minnesota,

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff,

Order of Detention

vs.

DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON DOB: 11/14/1995

7808 Beard Ave N
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

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: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Operate Motor Vehicle in Grossly Negligent Manner

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(1), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON, did by operating a motor vehicle in a grossly negligent manner, cause the death of S.G.

COUNT II

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(7), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON did, by operating a motor vehicle, cause a collision that caused the death of S.G., and DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON left the scene of that collision.

COUNT III

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Operate Motor Vehicle in Grossly Negligent Manner

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(1), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON, did by operating a motor vehicle in a grossly negligent manner, cause the death of S.O.

COUNT IV

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(7), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

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Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON, did, by operating a motor vehicle, cause a collision that caused the death of S.O., and DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON left the scene of that collision.

COUNT V

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Operate Motor Vehicle in Grossly Negligent Manner

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(1), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON, did by operating a motor vehicle in a grossly negligent manner, cause the death of S.A.

COUNT VI

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(7), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON did, by operating a motor vehicle, cause a collision that caused the death of S.A., and DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON left the scene of that collision.

COUNT VII

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Operate Motor Vehicle in Grossly Negligent Manner

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(1), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON, did by operating a motor vehicle in a grossly negligent manner, cause the death of S.H.

COUNT VIII

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(7), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON did, by operating a motor vehicle, cause a collision that caused the death of S.H., and DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON left the scene of that collision.

COUNT IX

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Operate Motor Vehicle in Grossly Negligent Manner

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(1), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON, did by operating a motor vehicle in a grossly negligent manner, cause the death of a juvenile female.

COUNT X

Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(7), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: Ten years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/16/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23157296

Charge Description: That on or about June 16, 2023, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON did, by operating a motor vehicle, cause a collision that caused the death of a juvenile female and DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON 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 June 16, 2023, at approximately 10:09 p.m., a Minnesota State Trooper was stationed in a fully marked Minnesota State Patrol squad vehicle at the bus stop on I-35W North at 46th Street in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, when the Trooper observed a black Cadillac Escalade SUV traveling northbound on I-35W drive by the Trooper at a high rate of speed. The radar on the Trooper's squad vehicle indicated the black Cadillac Escalade was traveling 95 mph in a 55-mph zone. The black Cadillac Escalade was also weaving in and out of traffic lanes in a reckless manner. The Trooper attempted to catch up to the black Cadillac Escalade. However, prior to the Trooper catching up to the black Cadillac Escalade and attempting to initiate a traffic stop, the black Cadillac Escalade, which was traveling in the far-left lane, abruptly cut across all four lanes of traffic and exited I-35 at the Lake Street exit ramp at a high rate of speed. The Trooper never activated their emergency lights or sirens.

The black Cadillac Escalade continued to travel at a high rate of speed northbound down the exit ramp and through the 2nd Avenue and East Lake Street intersection. The black Cadillac Escalade did not stop or slow down for the red light at the intersection but proceeded through the intersection at a high rate of speed. At the same time, a black Honda Civic had the green light and was lawfully traveling westbound on East Lake Street through the intersection. The black Cadillac Escalade collided violently with the black Honda Civic and t-boned the black Honda Civic on the driver side of the vehicle in the middle of the intersection causing catastrophic damage to both vehicles. The black Cadillac Escalade crashed into the Black Honda Civic with enough force to crush the black Honda Civic, pushing the black Honda Civic out of the intersection and pinning it against the wall of the I-35W bridge. The crash was caught on video surveillance cameras in the area.

The five occupants of the black Honda Civic were subsequently identified. The driver of black Honda Civic was identified as adult female victim S.G., age 20. The front seat passenger was identified as adult female victim S.O., age 19. The back seat passengers were identified as adult female victims S.A., age 20, and S.H., age 19, and a known juvenile female victim, age 17.

The Trooper observed the crash from approximately 0.15 miles to the south and activated his lights and emergency sirens to respond to the crash. The Trooper immediately went to the black Honda Civic. The Trooper observed that the black Honda Civic had extensive damage and all five victims in the Honda Civic had no signs of life and were deceased. EMS subsequently arrived at the scene and pronounced all five victims deceased.

The black Cadillac Escalade also had significant damage throughout the vehicle. Routine checks revealed the black Cadillac Escalade was a rented vehicle from a Hertz Rental Car located at Minneapolis-Saint Paul International ("MSP") Airport.

Minneapolis Police Officers and other State Troopers arrived shortly thereafter. Officers located a Hertz rental car receipt on the ground right outside the black Cadillac Escalade. The rental car receipt listed the renter as "Derrick Thompson." The driver was later fully identified as DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON, the Defendant herein. The receipt indicated that the date and time of the rental was June 16, 2023, at 9:46 p.m., approximately 24 minutes before the crash. Officers were able to confirm that there was video surveillance footage from Hertz of Defendant renting the black Cadillac Escalade from Hertz at the MSP Airport.

Officers spoke to witness A. Witness A informed officers that they observed the accident and saw Defendant exit the vehicle and flee the scene on foot. Witness A provided a detailed physical description of Defendant and the clothing Defendant was wearing. Witness A also informed officers that Defendant was limping as he fled the scene. Witness B informed officers that he observed Defendant flee the scene after the accident and informed officers that Defendant was nearby at Taco Bell.

Defendant was subsequently located near the scene of the crash at Taco Bell. Defendant was sitting on the curb in the parking lot of Taco Bell. Defendant also had injuries consistent with being in a car accident. Defendant was bleeding from a laceration on his forehead, had blood on his hands and clothing, and was sweating profusely. Officers inquired with Defendant about how he sustained his injuries. Defendant initially told officers, "I cut myself. This is old. This is an old cut." Officers informed Defendant that his injuries looked recent. Defendant then told officers that he was injured when he "fell" earlier in the night. Defendant then provided officers with his photo identification.

Defendant was arrested, and officers observed Defendant was walking with a limp. A show-up was conducted with Witness A. Witness A positively identified Defendant as the driver of the black Cadillac Escalade and the individual they observed flee the scene after the crash. Witness A was "one hundred percent" positive in their identification of Defendant.

Defendant was subsequently transported to the hospital for medical treatment. Medical personnel confirmed Defendant had a broken hip.

On June 20, 2023, a known witness came to the police precinct and provided officers with cell phone video of the crash. In the video, Defendant approaches the witness's car after the crash and asks the witness to give him a ride.

Officers obtained a search warrant to collect blood from the Defendant. Officers executed the search warrant. The results of the blood draw are still pending.

Officers obtained a search warrant to search the black Cadillac Escalade. During the search of the vehicle, officers discovered a Glock 40 caliber semi-automatic handgun with an extended magazine with live ammunition in the magazine. Officers also discovered over 250 grams, including over 2,000 individual pills, of suspected narcotics which field-tested positive for fentanyl, thirteen additional pills which field-tested positive for MDMA, and approximately 35.6 grams of white powder which field-tested positive for cocaine. Police also collected swabs for DNA testing from inside the vehicle. Results of the DNA testing are still pending.

Routine checks also revealed Defendant has the following prior convictions:

Felony evading police causing injury or death, felony hit-and-run resulting in serious bodily injury or death, and felony conspiracy (18-CR-08-676) (2020, California);

Fleeing police in a motor vehicle and false information to police (62-CR-17-7622) on May 7, 2018; and

Fifth Degree Drug Possession (62-CR-15-4853) on October 1, 2015.

Defendant's driving record includes numerous charges and convictions for driving after suspension and driving after revocation. Defendant's Minnesota driver's license was revoked in 2018 after he was convicted for fleeing police in a motor vehicle. Defendant's license was reinstated in March 2023.

Defendant has been discharged from the hospital and is in custody.



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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

Scott A Olson
Sergeant
350 S 5th St
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389
Badge: 5315

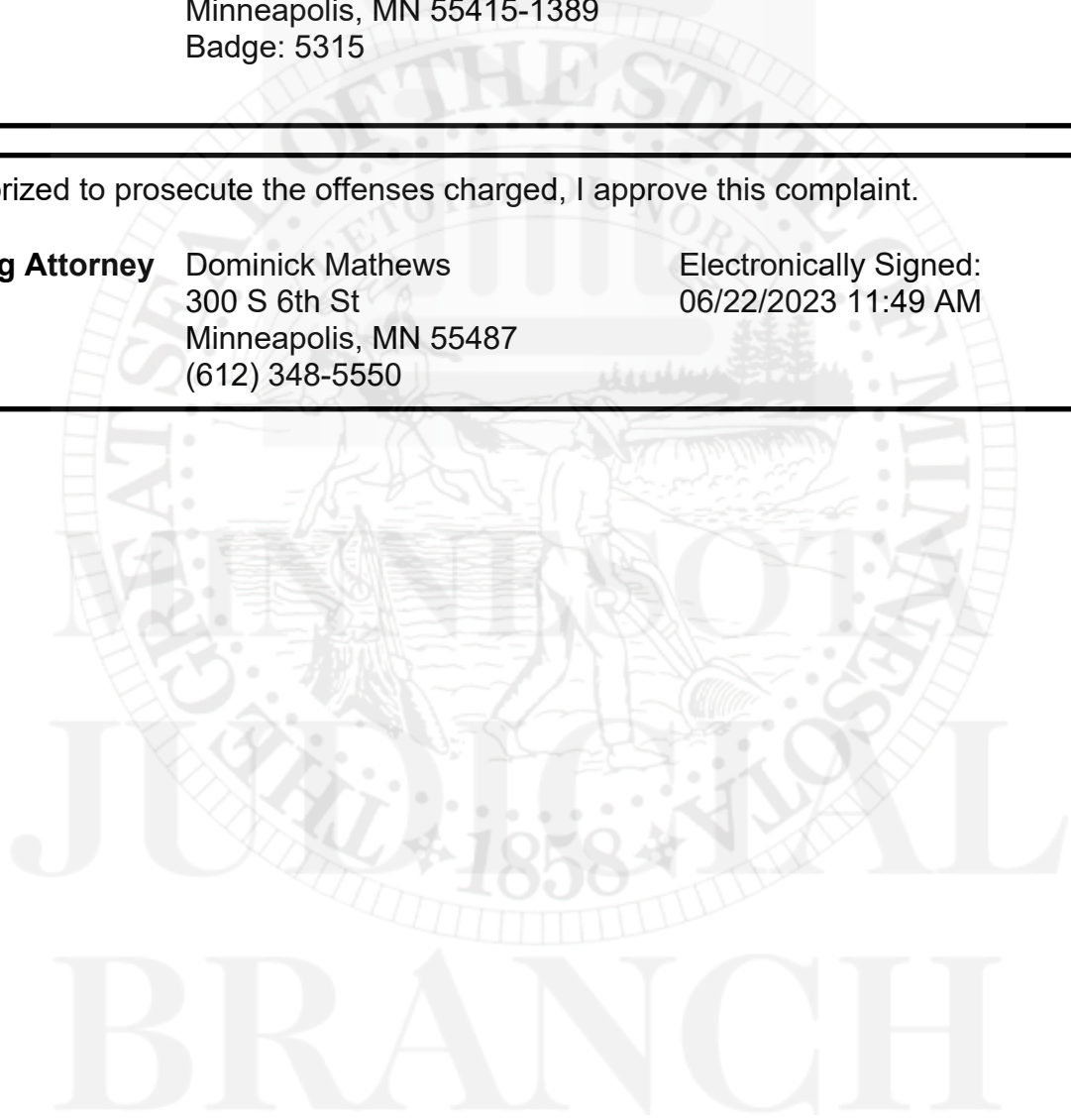
Electronically Signed:
06/22/2023 11:51 AM
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Dominick Mathews
300 S 6th St
Minneapolis, MN 55487
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:
06/22/2023 11:49 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 as directed in the Notice of Hearing before the above-named court 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: No Contact with Witnesses; No Driving without a License; Alcosensor/scram; No use of drugs/alcohol; Random UAs; No Possession of Weapons; Make All Appearances; Remain Law Abiding

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: June 22, 2023.

Judicial Officer

John Lucas

Electronically Signed: 06/22/2023 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.

DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON

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:

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DEFENDANT FACT SHEET

Filed in District Court
State of Minnesota
6/22/2023

Name: DERRICK JOHN THOMPSON
DOB: 11/14/1995
Address: 7808 Beard Ave N
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

Alias Names/DOB:

SID: MN14GT9465

Height:

Weight:

Eye Color:

Hair Color:

Gender:

Race:

Fingerprints Required per Statute:

Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record:

Driver's License #:

SILS Person ID #:

SILS Tracking No.

Alcohol Concentration:

MALE

Black

Yes

Yes

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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	6/16/2023	609.2112.1(a)(1) Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Operate Motor Vehicle in Grossly Negligent Manner	Felony	J1A11		MN0271100	23157296
	Penalty	6/16/2023	609.2112.1(a) Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Penalty	Felony	J1A11		MN0271100	23157296
2	Charge	6/16/2023	609.2112.1(a)(7) Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene	Felony	J1A11		MN0271100	23157296
	Penalty	6/16/2023	609.2112.1(a) Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Penalty	Felony	J1A11		MN0271100	23157296
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8	Charge	6/16/2023	609.2112.1(a)(7) Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene	Felony	J1A11		MN0271100	23157296
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