

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 23A13896
Court File No. 27-CR-23-26251

State of Minnesota,

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff,

Warrant

vs.

MALEEK JABRIL CONLEY DOB: 03/08/1998

3824 Portland Ave
#1
Minneapolis, MN 55407

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

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/03/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23321593

Charge Description: That on or about December 3, 2023, in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, MALEEK JABRIL CONLEY, caused the death of Victim 1, 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

COUNT II

Charge: Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1), with reference to: 609.11.5(a), 609.19.1

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/03/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23321593

Charge Description: That on or about December 3, 2023, in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, MALEEK JABRIL CONLEY, caused the death of Victim 2, 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

COUNT III

Charge: Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1), with reference to: 609.11.5(a), 609.17.4(2), 609.19.1

Maximum Sentence: HALF OF, 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/03/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23321593

Charge Description: That on or about December 3, 2023, in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, MALEEK JABRIL CONLEY, attempted to cause the death of Victim 3, 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

COUNT IV

Charge: Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1), with reference to: 609.11.5(a), 609.17.4(2), 609.19.1

Maximum Sentence: HALF OF, 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/03/2023

Control #(ICR#): 23321593

Charge Description: That on or about December 3, 2023, in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, MALEEK JABRIL CONLEY, attempted to cause the death of Victim 4, 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 December 3, 2023 at 2:15 AM, officers responded to a shooting inside a tobacco shop located at 403 14th Ave. SE in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota. Upon arrival, officers encountered two deceased males, identified as Victim 1 and Victim 2, each of whom suffered multiple gunshot wounds to the head and neck, and a third male, identified as Victim 3, who suffered a gunshot wound to the buttocks.

Victim 3, a store employee, was transported to the hospital. He reported that Victim 1 and Victim 2 were part of a group of male customers who entered the store prior to the shooting. Members of the group got into a verbal altercation and then a fistfight, which Victim 3 and other store employees attempted to stop by separating the participants. At that time, a gunman entered the store and repeatedly shot a semiautomatic handgun at specific members of the group, killing Victim 1 and Victim 2 and striking Victim 3.

The incident was captured on multiple video sources which corroborated Victim 3's account and revealed that the gunman fired multiple shots directly at Victim 1's and Victim 2's heads while standing approximately three feet from them. The gunman also fired at least twice directly at a fourth male, identified as Victim 4, at short range, but he missed. Victim 3 was struck in the buttocks by one of the gunman's errant shots. During the gunfire, a store employee pressed a panic button which locked the gunman and the others in the store. When the gunman realized that he was locked inside the store, he shot the glass out of the door and crawled out of the door's metal frame. He was followed by four other males. The gunman and the four other males ran to a getaway car, which investigators later determined to be a recently stolen white Kia, and fled the area. The gunman, still in possession of the firearm, was seated in the front passenger seat when the group fled in the Kia. Investigators noted that no one else besides the gunman displayed a firearm during the incident.

Investigators who reviewed the videos recognized and identified all five of the males who left in the Kia. They identified the gunman as Maleek Conley, the defendant in this case. They identified his getaway driver as Taynard Godsey, a codefendant in this case. The other three males were identified as M.C., D.S., and M.B. Investigators know that the five men are members or associates of the Crazi Boyz, a criminal street gang from South Minneapolis, and that Defendant and M.C. are brothers. Investigators also spoke to a civilian eyewitness who corroborated investigators' identifications and understanding of the incident.

Prior to visually identifying the gunman as Defendant, investigators noted that, during the shooting, he had placed his bare hand on a glass counter inside the store. Forensic scientists examined the area which he touched and located a latent fingerprint which was sufficient to compare to known prints of Defendant. The latent print was a match for Defendant.

Investigators located Codefendant Godsey's getaway car parked outside an apartment building at 2400 Elliot Ave., which investigators knew was the residence of M.C. Investigators obtained video from the building which revealed that all five males entered the building together less than fifteen minutes after the shooting. Defendant is captured wearing the same shirt he wore during the murders, but he had removed his black jacket. Other males, including M.C., are captured concealing bulky items under their clothing. Investigators executed a search warrant on M.C.'s apartment. By that time, Defendant and others had left, but investigators located Defendant's jacket and other items worn by Defendant in the clothes dryer.

Forensic scientists processed the scene of the murders and recovered 9mm discharged cartridge casings evidencing that Defendant fired at least 24 gunshots inside the store. Autopsies performed by the

Hennepin County Medical Examiner determined that the deaths of Victim 1 and Victim 2 were caused by multiple gunshot wounds. Victim 1 was shot ten times in the head and neck, and the Victim 2 was shot four times in the head, shoulder, upper right arm, and abdomen.

Investigators are aware that Victim 1 and Victim 2 are known members/associates of the Lowz criminal street gang in North Minneapolis and believe that the murders stem from gang-related rivalries.

A warrant is necessary because Defendant's whereabouts are unknown and he is a danger to public safety and a flight risk.



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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

Andrew Schroeder
Police Sergeant
350 S 5th St
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389
Badge: 6385

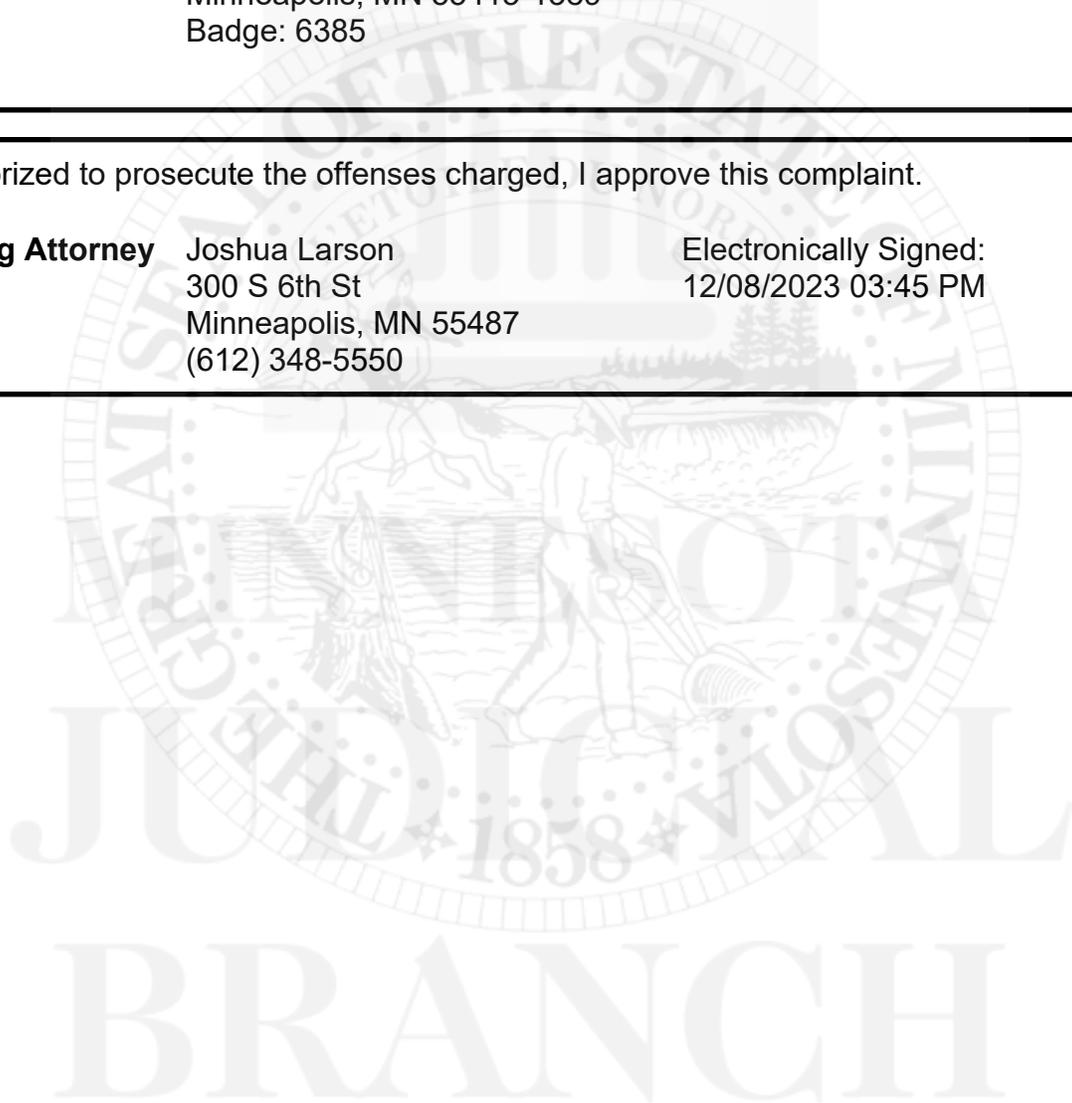
Electronically Signed:
12/08/2023 03:48 PM
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Joshua Larson
300 S 6th St
Minneapolis, MN 55487
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:
12/08/2023 03:45 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 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: \$2,000,000.00

Conditions of Release: No Contact with Address; No Contact with Co-Defendant(s); No use of drugs/alcohol; Random UAs; No Possession of Weapons; Remain Law Abiding; Other: No contact with gang members

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, 2023.

Judicial Officer Mary R. Vasaly Electronically Signed: 12/08/2023 03:49 PM
District Court Judge

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

**COUNTY OF HENNEPIN
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

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Plaintiff

vs.

MALEEK JABRIL CONLEY

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:

27-CR-23-26251
DEFENDANT FACT SHEET

Filed in District Court
State of Minnesota
12/8/2023

Name: MALEEK JABRIL CONLEY
DOB: 03/08/1998
Address: 3824 Portland Ave
#1
Minneapolis, MN 55407

Alias Names/DOB:

SID:

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.

Case Scheduling Information:

Alcohol Concentration:

MALE

Black

Yes

No

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This complaint should be filed under seal. An order to seal has been signed and sent to the CCU.

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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	12/3/2023	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2010		MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2010		MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.11.5(a) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm Use or Possession	Felony	H2010		MN0271100	23321593
2	Charge	12/3/2023	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2010		MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2010		MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.11.5(a) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm Use or Possession	Felony	H2010		MN0271100	23321593
3	Charge	12/3/2023	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2010	A	MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2010	A	MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.17.4(2) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-1/2 Of Intended	Felony	H2010	A	MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.11.5(a) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm Use or Possession	Felony	H2010	A	MN0271100	23321593
4	Charge	12/3/2023	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2010	A	MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2010	A	MN0271100	23321593
	Penalty	12/3/2023	609.17.4(2) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-1/2 Of Intended	Felony	H2010	A	MN0271100	23321593
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