

State of Minnesota  
County of Blue Earth

District Court  
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.  
Court File No.

MAN-16-0674  
07-CR-16-2736

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**State of Minnesota,**  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

**COMPLAINT**  
Summons  
[X] Tab Charge/Citation Previously Filed

**MATTHEW DUANE DEHN DOB: 08/14/1975**  
324 W. Welcome Ave.  
Mankato, MN 56001-4942  
Defendant.

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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: Domestic Assault-Misdemeanor-Intentionally Inflicts/Attempts to Inflict Bodily Harm on Another**

Minnesota Statute: 609.2242.1(2)  
Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000  
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 07/01/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16019310

Charge Description: Said Defendant, Matthew Duane Dehn, did, against a family or household member, as defined in M.S.A. 518B.01 Subd. 2, intentionally inflict or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another, to-wit: first assault at approximately 7:25 am.

**COUNT II**

**Charge: Domestic Assault-Commits Act to Cause Fear of Immediate Bodily Harm or Death**

Minnesota Statute: 609.2242.1(1)  
Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000  
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 07/01/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16019310

Charge Description: Said Defendant, Matthew Duane Dehn, did against a family or household member, as defined in M.S.A. 518B.01 Subd. 2, commit an act with intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death, to-wit: first assault at approximately 7:25 am.

**COUNT III**

**Charge: Domestic Assault-Commits Act to Cause Fear of Immediate Bodily Harm or Death**

Minnesota Statute: 609.2242.1(1)  
Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000  
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 07/01/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16019310

Charge Description: Said Defendant, Matthew Duane Dehn, did against a family or household member, as defined in M.S.A. 518B.01 Subd. 2, commit an act with intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death, to-wit: first assault at approximately 7:30 am.

#### **COUNT IV**

**Charge: Domestic Assault-Misdemeanor-Intentionally Inflicts/Attempts to Inflict Bodily Harm on Another**

Minnesota Statute: 609.2242.1(2)  
Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000  
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 07/01/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16019310

Charge Description: Said Defendant, Matthew Duane Dehn, did, against a family or household member, as defined in M.S.A. 518B.01 Subd. 2, intentionally inflict or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another, to-wit: first assault at approximately 7:30 am.

#### **COUNT V**

**Charge: Disorderly Conduct-Brawling or Fighting**

Minnesota Statute: 609.72.1(1)  
Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000  
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 07/01/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16019310

Charge Description: Said Defendant, Matthew Duane Dehn, did in a public or private place, knowing, or having reasonable grounds to know that it will, or will tend to, alarm, anger or disturb others or provoke an assault or breach of the peace, engaged in brawling or fighting.

#### **COUNT VI**

**Charge: Theft-Take/Use/Transfer Movable Prop-No Consent**

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(1)  
Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000  
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 07/01/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16019310

Charge Description: Said Defendant, Matthew Duane Dehn, did intentionally and without claim of right, take, use, transfer, conceal or retain possession of the movable property of another without the other's consent and with intent to deprive the owner permanently of possession of the property.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

Complainant is an Officer with the Mankato Police Department who believes the information set out below is true and accurate based on reports and information submitted to the Officer by Officer Kelly Wood and others identified herein.

On July 1, 2016, at approximately 7:25 a.m., Officer Wood responded to a report of a domestic assault at a residence in the City of Mankato, Blue Earth County, Minnesota. Officer Wood identified the victim as Victim 1. Victim 1 indicated that she had been assaulted by another individual, later identified as Matthew Duane Dehn, the Defendant herein. Victim 1 and the Defendant had been involved in a relationship for approximately three years and have a child in common. Victim 1 went to the Defendant's mother's residence to pick up their daughter. An argument ensued because the Defendant is apparently jealous that Victim 1 is now dating again. Victim 1 informed Officer Wood that the Defendant has been very controlling of her and has threatened her in the past. On a previous occasion, the Defendant told Victim 1 that she would not be around for her daughter to know her. Victim 1 perceived this statement as a threat from the Defendant. Victim 1 has full custody of their daughter. However, Victim 1 has made scheduling agreements with the Defendant in order for the Defendant to be able to visit their daughter. Victim 1 was getting her daughter ready to leave the residence when she realized that the Defendant had disappeared for awhile. Victim 1 went to her vehicle to secure their daughter in her car when she noticed that her cell phone was missing. Victim 1 reported that she was certain that her cell phone was in her vehicle. Victim 1 confronted the Defendant about the missing cell phone. Victim 1 said that the Defendant had locked himself in his room. Victim 1 said that she confronted the Defendant about the missing cell phone. The Defendant told Victim 1 that he threw it in the ravine located behind the residence. When Victim 1 yelled at the Defendant to retrieve the telephone, the Defendant began calling her names and using foul language. The verbal altercation escalated, and the Defendant pushed Victim 1 and told her "get the fuck away." Victim 1 said that the Defendant pushed her on the bed and proceeded to punch her in the right jawbone. Victim 1 said that when she got up from the bed, the Defendant grabbed both of her arms. Victim 1 returned to her car with their daughter. Victim 1 and her daughter went to the ravine in order to look for the cell phone. Victim 1 was not able to locate the cell phone and returned to the residence. Officer Wood identified a witness as Witness 1. Witness 1 is the Defendant's mother. Victim 1 said that she went down to the basement again to talk with the Defendant. Victim 1 asked the Defendant where her phone was and to give it to her. The Defendant again began calling her names and another altercation ensued. Victim 1 stated that the Defendant got her on the floor and used his elbow to strike her on the face. Officer Wood observed an injury above the Victim's right eye that confirmed her claims. Victim 1 stated that the Defendant pulled her hair and quite a bit of it came out. Victim 1 said that the Defendant pushed her from his room. Officer Wood photographed Victim 1's injuries.

Officer Wood went to the Defendant's mother's residence and spoke with Witness 1, the Defendant's mother. Witness 1 stated that she believes that the Defendant needs anger management. Witness 1 described the Defendant's mood as fluctuating between very nice and respectful to the opposite. Witness 1 stated, "If I had to say, I'd probably say blame lays mostly on him." Witness 1 also reported that the Defendant intentionally pushes Victim 1's buttons. According to Witness 1, the Defendant asked his mother to confirm that he was fighting in self-defense. Further, the Defendant had asked his mother to state that he, being the Defendant, had threatened to call the cops on Victim 1. Witness 1 responded by stating she did not see anything and did not hear anything other than yelling and profanity.

Officer Wood spoke with the Defendant regarding the assault. The Defendant claimed that an argument began after they started discussing her new provocative relationship. The Defendant claimed that Victim 1 started throwing haymakers at her. The Defendant claimed that Victim 1 returned after having intended on leaving and asked for her cell phone. The Defendant stated that he told Victim 1 that he did not have it and

that the Victim began punching him. The Defendant further claimed that Victim 1 was throwing punches and that he threatened to call the cops. The Defendant stated, "She's a pretty strong girl." The Defendant denied taking Victim 1's phone. Officer Wood specifically asked the Defendant about Victim 1's injuries. The Defendant said that he was not accountable for her injuries. The Defendant stated, "I didn't touch that woman. I didn't lay a hand on her." The Defendant claimed that he had incurred an injury to his upper right cheek. Officer Wood did not see any visual evidence confirming the Defendant's claim. Officer Wood asked the Defendant why he didn't call 911 when Victim 1 hit him. The Defendant admitted "because she didn't hit me, she's just complaining about her phone. That's why she called."

A computer check of the Defendant's prior criminal history indicates that he has a conviction for Theft out of Nicollet County. Sentencing in that case is pending. See Nicollet County District Court File No. 52-CR-15-338.

Restitution is requested for the Samsung Galaxy S5 phone and for medical of \$524.00.

## 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**

Daniel Schisel  
Police Commander  
710 S Front St  
Mankato, MN 56001-3803  
Badge: 3135

Electronically Signed:  
11/01/2016 06:26 PM  
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

Christopher Cain  
Assistant Blue Earth County  
Attorney  
401 Carver Road  
PO Box 3129  
Mankato, MN 56002-3129  
(507) 304-4600

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11/01/2016 03:11 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 on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ AM/PM before the above-named court at 401 Carver Rd, Mankato, MN 56002-0347 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: \$  
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 2, 2016.

**Judicial Officer**

Kurt D Johnson  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 11/02/2016 01:44 PM

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

**COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**State of Minnesota**

Plaintiff

vs.

**MATTHEW DUANE DEHN**

Defendant

*LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE  
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this  
Summons upon the Defendant herein named.*

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: