

State of Minnesota  
County of Blue Earth

District Court  
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.  
Court File No.

BEC-16-0554  
07-CR-16-1311

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**State of Minnesota,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**LISA LYNN ROBEL DOB: 08/10/1967**

256 Hubbel Ave  
Mankato, MN 56001

Defendant.

**COMPLAINT**

Order of Detention

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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: Drugs - 2nd Degree - Sale 3 Grams or More - Cocaine/Heroin/Meth w/in 90-Day Period**

Minnesota Statute: 152.022.1(1), with reference to: 152.022.3(b)

Maximum Sentence: Not less than three years nor more than 40 years and/or \$500,00

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 04/02/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16004314

Charge Description: Lisa Lynn Robel

On or about April 2, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Lisa Lynn Robel did on one or more occasions within a 90 day period, unlawfully sold one or more mixtures of a total weight of three grams or more containing cocaine, heroin or methamphetamine; and said defendant was previously convicted of a controlled substance crime.

**COUNT II**

**Charge: Drugs - 2nd Degree - Sale 3 Grams or More - Cocaine/Heroin/Meth w/in 90-Day Period**

Minnesota Statute: 152.022.1(1), with reference to: 152.022.3(b), 609.05.1

Maximum Sentence: Not less than three years nor more than 40 years and \$500,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 04/02/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16004314

Charge Description: Lisa Lynn Robel

On or about April 2, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Lisa Lynn Robel did intentionally aid, advise, hire, counsel or conspire with or otherwise procure another to commit the crime; to wit: did, on

one or more occasions within a 90 day period, conspire to unlawfully sell one or more mixtures of a total weight of three grams or more containing cocaine, heroin or methamphetamine; and said defendant was previously convicted of a controlled substance crime.

### COUNT III

**Charge: Drugs - 3rd Degree - Possess 3 Grams or More Cocaine/Heroin/Methamphetamine**

Minnesota Statute: 152.023.2(a)(1), with reference to: 152.023.3(b)

Maximum Sentence: 20 years and/or \$250,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 04/02/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16004314

Charge Description: Lisa Lynn Robel

On or about April 2, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Lisa Lynn Robel, did on one or more occasions within a 90-day period unlawfully possess one or more mixtures of a total weight of three grams or more containing cocaine, heroin, or methamphetamine; and has a previous controlled substance conviction.

### COUNT IV

**Charge: Burglary-3rd Deg-Steal/Commit Felony or Gross Misd**

Minnesota Statute: 609.582.3

Maximum Sentence: 5 years and/or \$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 04/02/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16004314

Charge Description: Lisa Lynn Robel

On or about April 2, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Lisa Lynn Robel did enter a building without consent and with intent to steal or commit any felony or gross misdemeanor while in the building, or entered a building without consent and did steal or commits a felony or gross misdemeanor while in the building, either directly or as an accomplice.

### COUNT V

**Charge: Burglary-3rd Deg-Steal/Commit Felony or Gross Misd**

Minnesota Statute: 609.582.3, with reference to: 609.05.1

Maximum Sentence: 5 years and/or \$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 04/02/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16004314

Charge Description: Lisa Lynn Robel

On or about April 2, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Lisa Lynn Robel did intentionally aid, advise, hire, counsel, or conspire with, or otherwise procure another to commit the crime, and/or did personally commit said crime; to wit: did enter a building without consent and with intent to steal or commit any felony or gross misdemeanor while in the building, or enters a building without consent and steals or commits a felony or gross misdemeanor while in the building, either directly or as an accomplice.

## COUNT VI

### **Charge: Possession of Burglary or Theft Tools**

Minnesota Statute: 609.59

Maximum Sentence: 3 years and/or \$5,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 04/02/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16004314

Charge Description: Lisa Lynn Robel

On or about April 2, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Lisa Lynn Robel did have in his/her possession any device, explosive, or other instrumentality with intent to use or permit the use of the same to commit burglary or theft.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On April 2, 2016, at approximately 8:30 p.m., Deputy Kyle Phillips, of the Blue Earth County Sheriff's Office, was patrolling through the storage units at Gags Camper Way, in Blue Earth County, when he observed a dark-colored passenger vehicle parked in front of an open storage unit. Deputy Phillips was aware that there had recently been several storage unit burglaries and reported tampering with storage unit locks at facilities such as Mini Max Storage and Gags Camper Way. When Deputy Phillips turned towards the vehicle, he observed the headlights turn on and the windshield wipers moving back and forth even though it was not raining and there did not appear to be any washer fluid spraying on the windshield. The vehicle then drove away from the unit rapidly. Deputy Phillips was able to determine that there were two people in the vehicle.

Deputy Phillips drove past the open storage unit that the other vehicle had been in front of. Deputy Phillips observed that there was a vehicle inside the storage unit that had been backed in. Deputy Phillips ran the license plates of that vehicle and the vehicle that had left the scene and discovered that the vehicles did not register to the same person. At that time, Deputy Phillips believed it was possible he had interrupted a burglary in progress.

Deputy Phillips attempted to catch up to the fleeing vehicle. After traveling nearly two miles east of Gags Camper Way at a high rate of speed, Deputy Phillips was finally able to catch up to the vehicle he saw leave the area. The vehicle then exited onto a frontage road. Deputy Phillips believed that based on the distance covered in such a short amount of time, that the vehicle was attempting to evade law enforcement and would have had to been traveling at a high rate of speed to cover that amount of distance in that short of a time.

Based on the prior report of burglaries and lock tamperings at that location and the circumstances surrounding the vehicle leaving rapidly upon law enforcement arriving at the scene, and the fact that the vehicles were not registered to the same person, Deputy Phillips stopped the vehicle and identified the driver as the registered owner, David Allen Anderson, date of birth November 17, 1972. Deputy Phillips also recognized the front seat passenger as Lisa Lynn Robel, date of birth August 10, 1967.

Deputy Phillips spoke to Anderson and Robel about being at Gags Camper Way. They both stated they were in the unit next to the open unit, but were not in the open unit. Robel stated she had been inside unit number 214. Deputy Phillips observed that Robel appeared to be out of breath while speaking to him and appeared to be very nervous while talking. Robel stated the reason they left the area so abruptly was because Robel had a 9:00 p.m. curfew as part of her probation. While speaking to Anderson and Robel, Deputy Phillips observed a head lamp-style flashlight in the common area center console of the vehicle and a large pry bar/crow bar sitting between Robel and the center console of the vehicle. Deputy Phillips knows these items are commonly used to conduct burglaries.

Deputy Phillips made contact with the registered owner of the other vehicle. Adult1, the owner of the vehicle, confirmed that her vehicle was at Gags Camper Way; however, the door should not be open. Adult1 stated that her son, Adult2, actually rents the unit. Deputy Phillips then spoke to Adult2 who also stated that storage unit should not be open. Lieutenant Barta went to the open storage unit to identify if it appeared the unit had been forcibly opened.

Deputy Phillips spoke with Lieutenant Barta who stated he took photographs of shoe prints that had been located in the open storage unit. Deputy Phillips compared the tread pattern on both Robel and Anderson's shoes and observed that the tread pattern matched Anderson's shoes. Deputy Phillips again asked Anderson if he had been in the storage unit. At that time, both Robel and Anderson stated they had been

inside the open storage unit; however, they did not steal anything. Robel stated they went in to make sure there wasn't a body in the vehicle. This contradicted both Anderson and Robel's first claim that they had not been in the open unit.

Lieutenant Barta confirmed with the owner of Gags Camper Way that Robel did not have a storage unit near the one that was open. Lieutenant Barta also stated there was a small damp spot on the gravel parking surface in front of the open unit which appeared to be from a running vehicle parked in one spot for a period of time similar to that of evaporation from an air-conditioning unit. Lieutenant Barta also advised that the storage unit had been forcibly opened and had pry/tool marks on the locking mechanism. Deputy Phillips noted that the crow bar inside Anderson's vehicle would be consistent with a tool that could have been used to break into the open storage unit. Lieutenant Barta observed that there were keys in the ignition of the vehicle; however, when the keys were turned, the vehicle did not start. When Lieutenant Barta attempted to close the overhead door that was open, he observed that the locking mechanism was wedged between the rolled up corrugated door and the wall. The door was stuck in the open position until he forced it down. That is when he observed the pry marks.

Deputy Phillips informed Lieutenant Barta that Anderson and Robel claimed that they had been at the storage unit to the left of the open one. Lieutenant Barta inspected the locking mechanism of that unit and determined that it too had been pried, but it did not appear to have been damaged or pried enough to open. Lieutenant Barta spoke to the owner of the open storage unit, Adult2, who stated that he was missing four truck tires, a tool kit, and a hard hat.

Deputy Phillips placed Anderson and Robel under arrest for the burglary and possession of burglary tools. Due to the vast amount of items inside Anderson and Robel's vehicle, Deputy Phillips decided to have the vehicle towed to the Blue Earth County Justice Center where he made application for a lawful search warrant. Deputy Phillips then transported Anderson to the Blue Earth County Jail while Officer Ellis transported Robel to the Blue Earth County Jail.

When Officer Ellis first had Robel sit in her squad car she conducted a pat search for weapons. However, she did not conduct a thorough search. While Officer Ellis was driving Robel to the Blue Earth County Jail, Robel stated she had to tell Officer Ellis something. Robel was crying and stated she needed to be honest about something. Robel stated she had taken a pipe and some baggies with residue out from her person and that she was sitting on them on the seat. Officer Ellis informed Robel that they would take care of it when they got to the jail. Robel claimed that she located the items in her apartment and that she wanted to throw them away at the storage unit because she didn't know where else to throw the items away.

Upon arriving at the jail Robel stated that the items were under her buttocks area. As Robel was exiting the vehicle Officer Ellis observed a glass smoking device and a plastic baggy. When they entered the jail Officer Ellis conducted a more thorough search of Robel. Robel stated she might have another baggy in her bra. Officer Ellis pulled Robel's bra out from her body and started shaking it. As Officer Ellis was shaking the bra, a little red package fell out onto the jail floor. Officer Ellis continued to search Robel and asked Robel if she had any items in her underwear. Robel stated she couldn't recall. Officer Ellis informed Robel that if she took any drugs into the jail, it would be an additional charge. Robel acknowledged and stated there might be more items.

Officer Ellis and a female jailor took Robel into a bathroom where they had her remove her clothes. Robel removed her top and another baggy with a brown powder/granular substance was stuck to her breast area. Robel removed it and handed it to Officer Ellis. Robel then removed her underwear and another clear plastic baggy with a clear white shard material fell from her underwear. Officer Ellis asked Robel to turn around and Officer Ellis observed a clear plastic baggy on the back of Robel's leg near her buttocks. Robel made the comment that she wanted to party this weekend before starting Drug Court on Monday. Robel

was crying and very upset about the situation as she felt she was going to get kicked out of Drug Court.

As Deputy Phillips was walking Anderson into the jail pre-booking area he was next to Officer Ellis and Robel. At that time, he observed a red colored baggy fall from Robel's body onto the pre-booking room floor. Deputy Phillips observed that what fell from Robel appeared to be an 8-ball of narcotics, most likely methamphetamine. An 8-ball is approximately 3.5 grams. All the baggies found on Robel were later field-tested and indicated positive for the presence of methamphetamine. Robel's purse was also searched at the time of booking where Deputy Phillips located a small book containing what appeared to be a drug ledger. Deputy Phillips recognized some of the names in the book as being consistent with methamphetamine users in the Mankato area. Deputy Phillips weighed all the baggies found on Robel together. The total weight was 5.29 grams of methamphetamine.

While searching Anderson, Deputy Phillips located a digital-style scale in Anderson's back pocket which appeared to have a white residue on the weighing surface. Deputy Phillips also located a small gem pack-style baggy containing a white crystal-like substance in Anderson's right front coin pocket. The baggy later field-tested positive for the presence of methamphetamine. The baggy weighed 1.38 grams. The surface of the scale was also field-tested and was positive for the presence of methamphetamine.

Deputy Phillips knows from his training and experience that illegal narcotics are often sold in quantities including .5 grams, 1.75 grams, and 3.5 grams. Deputy Phillips that people who sell illegal narcotics often use digital-style scales like the one located on Anderson to weight the narcotics for sale. Deputy Phillips also know that narcotic dealers also keep drug ledgers such as the one located in Robel's purse in an attempt to keep track of the amounts they sell and how owes what. Deputy Phillips noted that Robel and Anderson's action so having over 6 grams of methamphetamine between the two of them along with a digital scale and a drug ledger is consistent with dealing drugs.

## 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**

Thomas Coulter  
Deputy Sheriff  
401 Carver Rd  
Mankato, MN 56002-0228  
Badge: 2707

Electronically Signed:  
04/04/2016 03:18 PM  
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

Steven Kelm  
401 Carver Road  
PO Box 3129  
Mankato, MN 56002  
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:  
04/04/2016 02:58 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.

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*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: April 4, 2016.

**Judicial Officer**

Krista J Jass  
Judge of District Court

Electronically Signed: 04/04/2016 03:39 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.

**LISA LYNN ROBEL**

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: