

State of Minnesota  
County of Blue Earth

District Court  
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.  
Court File No.

BEC-16-1472  
07-CR-16-3890

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**State of Minnesota,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**JOSEPH MICHAEL SAMSTAD DOB: 11/17/1980**

P O BOX 126  
Crookston, MN 56716

Defendant.

**COMPLAINT**

Warrant

Amended

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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: Issue Dishonored Check-Offense**

Minnesota Statute: 609.535.2, with reference to: 609.535.2a(a)(3)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 05/26/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16012517

Charge Description: Joseph Michael Samstad Also Known As Joseph Michael Sanstad, Joseph Mihcael Samstad, Joseph Michel Samstad, Joseph Michael Samstad, Joseph Micheal Samstad, Joey Samstad, Joseph Samstd, Joey Michael Samstad And Xx Joe

On or about May 26, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Joseph Michael Samstad did issue a check which, at the time of issuance, the issuer intended shall not be paid.

**COUNT II**

**Charge: Theft-By check**

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(3)(i), with reference to: 609.52.3(5)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

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On or about May 26, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant Joseph Michael Samstad did, obtain the possession, custody, or title of property of or performance of services by a third person by intentionally deceiving the third person with a false representation which is known to be false, made with intent to defraud, and which does defraud a person to whom it is made; by: the issuance of a check, draft, or order for the payment of money, except a forged check as defined in section 609.631, or the delivery of property knowing that the actor is not entitled to draw upon the drawee therefor or to order the payment or delivery thereof and the value of property or services is less than \$500.00.

### COUNT III

**Charge: Issue Dishonored Check-Offense**

Minnesota Statute: 609.535.2, with reference to: 609.535.2a(a)(3)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

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On or about May 29, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Joseph Michael Samstad did issue a check which, at the time of issuance, the issuer intended shall not be paid.

### COUNT IV

**Charge: Theft-By check**

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(3)(i), with reference to: 609.52.3(5)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

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On or about May 29, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant Joseph Michael Samstad did, obtain the possession, custody, or title of property of or performance of services by a third person by intentionally deceiving the third person with a false representation which is known to be false, made with intent to defraud, and which does defraud a person to whom it is made; by: the issuance of a check, draft, or order for the payment of money, except a forged check as defined in section 609.631, or the delivery of property knowing that the actor is not entitled to draw upon the drawee therefor or to order the payment or delivery thereof and the value of property or services is less than \$500.00.

### COUNT V

**Charge: Issue Dishonored Check-Offense**

Minnesota Statute: 609.535.2, with reference to: 609.535.2a(a)(3)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1,000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 05/26/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16012517

Charge Description: Joseph Michael Samstad Also Known As Joseph Michael Sanstad, Joseph Mihcael Samstad, Joseph Michel Samstad, Joseph Michael Samstad, Joseph Micheal Samstad, Joey Samstad, Joseph Samstd, Joey Michael Samstad And Xx Joe

On or about May 30, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Joseph Michael Samstad did issue a check which, at the time of issuance, the issuer intended shall not be paid.

### COUNT VI

**Charge: Theft-By check**

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(3)(i), with reference to: 609.52.3(5)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days and/or \$1000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 05/26/2016

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Charge Description: Joseph Michael Samstad Also Known As Joseph Michael Sanstad, Joseph Mihcael Samstad, Joseph Michel Samstad, Joseph Michael Samstad, Joseph Micheal Samstad, Joey Samstad, Joseph Samstd, Joey Michael Samstad And Xx Joe

On or about May 30, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant Joseph Michael Samstad did, obtain the possession, custody, or title of property of or performance of services by a third person by intentionally deceiving the third person with a false representation which is known to be false, made with intent to defraud, and which does defraud a person to whom it is made; by: the issuance of a check, draft, or order for the payment of money, except a forged check as defined in section 609.631, or the delivery of property knowing that the actor is not entitled to draw upon the drawee therefor or to order the payment or delivery thereof and the value of property or services is less than \$500.00.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On May 26, 2016, Joseph Michael Samstad, the defendant, presented check # 1035, to Witness 1, as payment for camping at Daly Park, a Blue Earth County owned campground. On May 29, 2016, the defendant presented check # 1041 to Witness 2 for camping at Daly Park as well as check #1043 on May 30, 2016, as payment for camping. The three checks were transferred to Witness 3, an accountant for Blue Earth County, to present to the defendant's bank for payment. On June 14, 2016, all three checks were returned to Blue Earth County as unpaid because they were drawn on the defendant's checking account, which had previously been closed. The total amount of restitution requested is \$190.00.

The Court Administrator's office has advised the County Attorney's Office on October 27, 2016, that the Complaint/Summons along with the notice of the required Court appearance were mailed to the Defendant at the above address and returned as "Undeliverable". Therefore, a Warrant is requested to compel his/her appearance.

## 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**

Paul Barta  
Captain  
401 Carver Rd  
Mankato, MN 56002-0228  
Badge: 2721

Electronically Signed:  
11/09/2016 12:05 PM  
Blue Earth County, MN

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

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Attorney  
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