

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

BEC-16-0476-02
07-CR-16-1114

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ASHLEY MARIE BLACK DOB: 09/26/1991

312 4th Ave. SE
Mapleton, MN 56065

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Order of Detention

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 - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana

Minnesota Statute: 152.025.2(a)(1), with reference to: 609.05.1

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 03/24/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16008380

Charge Description: Ashley Marie Black

On or about March 24, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Ashley Marie Black did intentionally aid, advise, hire, counsel, or conspire with, or otherwise procure another to, and/or did personally commit said crime; to wit: did unlawfully possess one or more mixtures containing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, or IV, except a small amount of marijuana.

COUNT II

Charge: Drugs - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Use or Possession Prohibited

Minnesota Statute: 152.092

Maximum Sentence: \$300

Offense Level: Petty Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 03/24/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16008380

Charge Description: Ashley Marie Black

On or about March 24, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Ashley Marie Black did knowingly or intentionally possess drug paraphernalia; to wit: a smoking device

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

Mankato Department of Public Safety Police Officer Bill Reinbold states that on March 24, 2016, at approximately 12:39 a.m., he was on routine patrol at the Highway 14 Self Storage where there has been several break-ins in the past few weeks when he came across a vehicle pulling away from the west edge of the property. Officer Reinbold drove to the location where the vehicle was initially stopped and observed fresh footprints in the snow leading to one of the storage units. Officer Reinbold watched as the vehicle turned and drove north between the rows adjacent to where he initially saw the vehicle. As he followed, the vehicle turned back south between the next two rows instead of driving towards the exit. Officer Reinbold then activated his squad car emergency lights, and the vehicle stopped. Officer Reinbold observed that the vehicle was occupied by three individuals.

Officer Reinbold made contact with the driver, who was subsequently identified as Jacob Andrew Guyette. Upon making contact with Guyette, Officer Reinbold smelled the strong scent of burnt marijuana coming from inside the car. Officer Reinbold asked Guyette what they were doing at the business so late, and they said they were checking on a storage unit that he and his ex-girlfriend have together to make sure that it was locked. Officer Reinbold then asked the passengers if they had identification in case he needed to find a valid driver as he determined that Guyette did not have a valid driver's license as it was suspended.

The front-seat passenger, identified as Nicholas Robert Anderson, produced a license; and the backseat passenger did not have identification but was identified as Ashley Marie Black. Officer Reinbold determined that Black also had a suspended driver's license, but Anderson had a valid driver's license. While running routine checks, Officer Reinbold determined that the license tabs for the vehicle expired in March 2015.

While running the information, Officer Reinbold observed Black digging in a backpack and she appeared to be tucking something near the driver's seat. Due to the smell of marijuana coming from the vehicle and the known narcotics background of Guyette, Officer Reinbold requested assistance and waited for backup officers to arrive. When they did, Officers Walker and Levin dealt with Black and Anderson in their squad cars, and Officer Reinbold had Guyette sit in his squad car.

Officers Reinbold and Walker then searched the vehicle, and in the center console, they found an envelope with court paperwork addressed to Guyette. In the driver's seat back pocket, Officer Reinbold found a glass pipe with a white residue, a digital scale, and a camouflage canvas bag containing a large amount of jewel bags, which are commonly used in the distribution of controlled substances. They also located a backpack, and Officer Walker found several items relating to controlled substances. He found a large amount of small clear plastic baggies that through his training and experience are commonly used in the sale of controlled substances.

He also located a blue top Altoids container inside of a makeup bag that was inside the backpack. In the container was a small plastic baggy that contained yellow-colored metal screens that are commonly associated with smoking controlled substances. He also observed what appeared to be a white powdery substance on the bottom and the side of the container, which field-tested positive for the presence of methamphetamine.

Officer Reinbold spoke with Guyette after reading him his Miranda Warning. He claimed no knowledge of the substances in the car and was unaware that the vehicle registration was expired. He stated he obtained the car from a friend of his, only known as Shane. He stated that he picked up Anderson and Black prior to going to the storage units.

Officer Reinbold then spoke with Anderson. He stated that Guyette picked him and his girlfriend up after they called for a ride. He admitted knowledge of Black's use of controlled substances and asked him what she was doing when he saw her digging around. He stated that Black was taking the pipe, scale, and camouflage bag out of his blue backpack in the backseat and putting them in the driver's seat pocket. He stated that the items were his and they were for using methamphetamine. Officer Reinbold subsequently went through the contents of the camouflage bag and found a straw, metal tool, and jewel bag that had a white residue on them. They field-tested positive for the presence of methamphetamine as well as the glass pipe and digital scale.

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

Craig Frericks
Commander
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3102

Electronically Signed:
03/24/2016 12:51 PM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Ryan S. Hansch
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
03/24/2016 10:39 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 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 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: March 24, 2016.

Judicial Officer

Greg Anderson
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 03/24/2016 01:10 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.

ASHLEY MARIE BLACK

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: