

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

MAN-16-0338
07-CR-16-1718

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JACOB JAMES COOPER DOB: 01/11/1996

55 Cottage Path
Mankato, MN 56001

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Summons

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: Assault-5th Deg-Inflict or Attempt Bodily Harm

Minnesota Statute: 609.224.1(2)

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

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 04/15/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16010979

Charge Description: Said Defendant, Jacob James Cooper, did intentionally inflict or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another.

COUNT II

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): 04/15/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16010979

Charge Description: Said Defendant, Jacob James Cooper, 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.

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 April 15, 2016 at approximately 9:30 p.m., Officer Wood responded to a report of an assault at the College Town complex in the city of Mankato, Blue Earth County, Minnesota. Officer Wood identified the victims as Victim 1 and Victim 2. Victims 1 and 2 reported that they had been assaulted while at a party at the College Town complex. Both victims became involved in a heated political discussion with an unidentified female. Both victims are females. Based on Victim 1's appearance, it may have been the impression of other individuals present at the party that Victim 1 was a male. When the heated political discussion became more intense, the unidentified female threatened to punch Victim 2. The topic of discussion turned to religion and the unidentified female became upset and asked the Victim 1: 'How would you feel if I insulted your best friend?' The unidentified female became aggravated and threatened for the second time to punch Victim 2. Both Victim 1 and Victim 2 ignored the unidentified female. The unidentified female then struck Victim 2 in the back of the head. Victim 1 intervened in an attempt to prevent a further assault on Victim 2. Multiple male individuals intervened and assaulted Victim 1.

One of the individuals that assaulted Victim 1 was identified as Jacob James Cooper, the defendant herein. Victim 1 and Victim 2 stated that the defendant began punching and kicking Victim 1. Victim 2 stated that she believed that the defendant and another unidentified male individual had mistaken Victim 1 for a male due to her apparel and appearance. Victim 2 yelled at both the defendant and the other unidentified male, 'That's a girl!' The defendant and the other male continued to kick Victim 1. Victim 1 curled up into a ball and covered her face in order to protect herself. The defendant picked Victim 1 up off of the ground and threw her off the porch of the College Town complex. Officer Wood photographed multiple injuries that she incurred as a result of the assault.

Law enforcement reported to the College Town complex at approximately 11:10 p.m. where they observed the defendant. Officer Jake Price assisted in the investigation of the assault. Officer Wood observed the defendant leaning over the front porch, throwing up into the gravel. He notes in his report that the defendant was swaying heavily and appeared to be youthful in nature. Officer Wood observed that the defendant appeared as though he was about to fall face forward. He could detect the smell and strong odor of a consumed alcoholic beverage coming from the defendant's breath. His speech was slurred. The defendant claimed that he was 21 years old. Officer Price asked him to provide identification. He stated no and started walking away. Officer Price asked the defendant three more times to provide identification but he continued to pull away. The defendant was ultimately detained. He submitted to a portable breath test and blew .205 on the digital PBT.

Officer Wood identified a roommate of the defendant who was later identified as Gonzalo Rodriguez. Rodriguez stated that it appeared that a male was fighting a girl, when in reality it was a female fighting another female. He said that he did not see the defendant punch or kick the victim; however, he saw the defendant and another male pick up the victim off the ground and take her out the front door.

A computer check of the defendant's prior criminal history indicates that he has two prior underage consumption convictions on his record from 2015 in Blue Earth County.

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

Matthew DuRose
Commander
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3141

Electronically Signed:
04/26/2016 03:43 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
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04/26/2016 03:22 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 **May 26, 2016 at 8:15 AM** 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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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 26, 2016.

Judicial Officer

Bradley C Walker
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 04/26/2016 04:29 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.

JACOB JAMES COOPER

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: