

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

BEC-16-0165
07-CR-16-659

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT
Warrant

vs.

JASON ALLEN HUBBARD DOB: 01/27/1979

1201 Southhaven Drive
Mankato, MN 56001-4196

Defendant.

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: Check Forgery-Offer/Possess W/Intent to Defraud

Minnesota Statute: 609.631.3, with reference to: 609.631.4(3)(a)

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/04/2016

Control #(ICR#): 16000390

Charge Description: Jason Allen Hubbard Also Known As Jason Hubbard

On or about January 4, 2016, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Jason Allen Hubbard did with intent to defraud, offered, or possessed with intent to offer, a forged check whether or not it is accepted; and the aggregate value of the forged check(s) was over \$250.00 but less than \$2,500.00.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On January 4, 2016, Adult 1, a male, called the North Mankato Police Department and reported a burglary that occurred at his residence sometime between December 28, 2015 and December 29, 2015. Adult 1 stated that during this time he noticed approximately 16 blank checks missing, along with \$80.00 from a change jar. Adult 1 did not notice signs of forced entry but stated he had a spare key to the residence hidden in the entryway. Adult 1 stated that he has since changed the locks to the residence. He also indicated that he notified his bank of the stolen checks.

Adult 1 stated that on January 4, 2016, he received a call from his bank, Minnesota Valley Federal Credit Union, advising him that someone was in the bank trying to cash a check he had reported as stolen. The credit union identified the person attempting to cash the check as Jason Allen Hubbard, DOB 1-27-1979. The bank obtained a copy of Hubbard's driver's license and a thumbprint before advising him they would not be able to cash the check. The check was written out to Hubbard in the amount \$800.00.

The North Mankato Police Department contacted the Mankato Police Department as the credit union Hubbard attempted to pass the check at is located in the City of Mankato. LETSS Heitter received information from the North Mankato Police Department and continued the investigation. On January 13, 2016, LETSS Heitter met with the manager at Minnesota Valley Federal Credit Union. The manager was aware of their credit union member, Adult 1, and the forged check incident. The manager obtained surveillance evidence from his corporate office regarding the transaction conducted on January 4, 2016. LETSS Heitter also spoke to the credit union employee that had assisted Hubbard when he attempted to cash the check. The employee stated he was 100 percent certain that the individual who attempted to cash the check was the same individual pictured on the Minnesota ID card that the credit union had obtained a photocopy of during the transaction. LETSS Heitter also had a police detective and Hubbard's current probation officer review the surveillance photo. Both the detective and the probation officer believed the individual in the photo was Hubbard.

On January 13, 2016, LETSS Heitter met with Adult 1 and he completed an affidavit of forgery form indicating that the check issued to him that Hubbard attempted to cash on January 4, 2016, had been a forgery. Adult 1 had also told LETSS Heitter that he thought his cousin, Jason Martin, may be responsible for stealing the check in question. Adult 1 indicated that Martin has some past criminal involvement and is known to steal money from his relatives. He also stated that Martin lives near him. Adult 1 indicated that he does not know who Jason Hubbard is and has never given Hubbard, or anyone else, permission to cash the check in question.

LETSS Heitter located a Jason Martin in the local database and reviewed local involvements of Hubbard and discovered a recent unrelated incident report relating to a burglary referencing both Hubbard and Martin. Based on the information in the report, she noted it appears Hubbard and Martin know each other.

On January 22, 2016, Officer Spellacy conducted an interview with Martin in reference to an unrelated theft investigation. During their conversation, Martin stated Hubbard had sent him text messages indicating a check he had given Hubbard was stolen. Officer Spellacy asked Martin to explain more about that. He said Hubbard was referring to a check that was stolen during a burglary at his girlfriend's cousin's trailer. LETSS Heitter noted that Martin's girlfriend is BL and BL's cousin is Adult 1. Martin denied stealing Adult 1's check and denied any involvement in forging the check. Martin denied that his DNA would be on the check. He stated that Hubbard is trying to blame him for taking the check, as well as taking some items that Officer Spellacy was investigating in the other theft case. Martin stated Hubbard has been stealing numerous items and pawning them for money.

A review of court records indicates that Hubbard has active arrest warrants out of Blue Earth County. A warrant is requested.

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:
02/22/2016 02:24 PM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

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Electronically Signed:
02/19/2016 04:43 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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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: \$2,000.00
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: February 22, 2016.

Judicial Officer Kurt D Johnson Electronically Signed: 02/22/2016 03:13 PM
District Court Judge

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.

JASON ALLEN HUBBARD

Defendant

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

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: