State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070114428
Court File No. 07-CR-26-4758

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN FITZGERALD MEGER DOB: 03/25/1976

23615 610th Avenue
Madison Lake, MN 56063

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: Domestic Abuse No Contact Order - Violate No Contact Order - Misdemeanor
Minnesota Statute: 629.75.2(b)
Maximum Sentence: 90 days or $1,000 fine, or both.
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 10/12/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26021180

Charge Description: On or about October 12, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, John Fitzgerald Meger did violate a Domestic Abuse No-Contact Order and the respondent or person to be restrained knew of the existence of the order.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On October 12, 2026, Victim called to report a Domestic Abuse No Contact Order (DANCO) Violation regarding her ex-boyfriend John Fitzgerald Meger (03/25/1976) within Blue Earth County, State of Minnesota. Victim spoke with Deputy Cold Lund of the Blue Earth County Sheriff's Department. Victim stated that Meger had sent her a friend request via the social media site "Facebook" on October 11, 2026. Victim provided Deputy Lund with a screen shot of the request. Deputy Lund was able to confirm that the account that sent the request does belong to Meger.

There is currently an active DANCO that was signed by the Honorable Greg Anderson on March 16, 2026. The order lists John Fitzgerald Meger (03/25/1976) as the Defendant and Victim is listed as the protected party ordering "You are ordered to have no contact, directly, indirectly, or through others, in person, by telephone, in writing, electronically or by any other means with the protected person(s) named above." Contact was permitted via text only for financial management. This order was signed on March 16, 2026, and served upon Meger on the same date by being personally handed Meger by Deputy Daniel Anderson of the Blue Earth County Sheriff's Department.

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:
11/09/2026 09:31 AM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Benjamin J Dolan
Assistant County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
11/05/2026 04:10 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).

[X] SUMMONS

THEREFORE YOU, THE DEFENDANT, ARE SUMMONED to appear as directed in the Notice of Hearing before the above-named court 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.

[ ] ***Execute in MN Only*** [ ] ***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: November 9, 2026.

Judicial Officer Mark Betters
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 11/09/2026 09:50 AM

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.

John Fitzgerald Meger

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: