

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070113260
Court File No. 07-CR-26-1592

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CHRISTOPHER J JOHNSON DOB: 12/22/1996

228 Willard Street #3
Mankato, MN 56001

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: Carry/Possess Pistol w/out Permit - Public Place - Gross Misdemeanor; Second or Subsequent - Felony-G

Minnesota Statute: 624.714.1a

Maximum Sentence: 364 days or \$3,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 04/18/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26011894

Charge Description: On or about April 18, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Christopher J Johnson did, did carry, hold or possess a pistol in a motor vehicle, snowmobile, or boat or on or about the person's clothes or the person or was otherwise in possession or control in a public place, as defined in section 624.7181, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), without first having obtained a permit to carry the pistol.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On April 18, 2026, at approximately 4:11 PM, Officer Cory Keane with the Mankato Department of Public Safety was traveling westbound in the 1200 block of Madison Avenue in the City of Mankato when he observed a Volkswagen traveling in front of his squad car. Ofc. Keane noticed that the window tint on the vehicle was clearly darker than the law allows.

Ofc. Keane effectuated a traffic stop of the vehicle and approached the driver's side where he identified the driver as Christopher J Johnson. Ofc. Keane attempted to speak with Johnson but Johnson would not say anything and just stared forward. Ofc. Keane advised the reason for the stop was expired registration and illegal window tint. Johnson continued to ignore Ofc. Keane. Ofc. Keane then advised Johnson that he would be taken to jail if he did not provide identification. Johnson then provided his Minnesota identification card to Ofc. Keane.

Ofc. Keane then returned to his squad car and learned from dispatch there was a body only warrant for Johnson's arrest. Ofc. Keane reapproached Johnson and advised him of the warrant and that he was under arrest and would have to step out of the vehicle. As Johnson exited the vehicle he advised Ofc. Keane that he was carrying a firearm.

Ofc. Keane performed a search of Johnson's person and found a handgun on his waist. Johnson does not have a permit to carry a handgun in Minnesota.

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

Kelly Wood
Patrol Officer
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3134

Electronically Signed:
04/20/2026 09:49 AM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Michael Hanson
Assistant County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
04/20/2026 09:38 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 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: April 20, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Greg Anderson
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 04/20/2026 09:57 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

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Christopher J Johnson

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: