

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

0070110901
07-CR-25-2122

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

WILLOW LEE SCHMIDT DOB: 11/20/2003

821-1/2 E Main Street
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: Assault - 4th Degree - Peace Officer - Physically Assaults

Minnesota Statute: 609.2231.1(b)

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 05/31/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25015462

Charge Description: On or about May 31, 2025, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Willow Lee Schmidt did physically assault a peace officer when that officer was effecting a lawful arrest or executing any other duty imposed by law.

COUNT II

Charge: Obstruct Legal Process-Interfere w/Peace Officer

Minnesota Statute: 609.50.1(2), with reference to: 609.50.2(2)

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 05/31/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25015462

Charge Description: On or about May 31, 2025, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Willow Lee Schmidt did, intentionally, obstruct, resist, or interfere with a peace officer while the officer was engaged in the performance of official duties and the act was accompanied by force or violence or the threat thereof.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On May 31, 2025, at approximately 2:27 AM, officers of the Mankato Department of Public Safety were on patrol in the entertainment district in downtown Mankato, Minnesota, Blue Earth County.

Officer Wagner observed two individuals in a verbal argument. Specifically, one individual later identified as Willow Lee Schmidt, dob 11/20/2003, was yelling at another individual. At one point, Schmidt made a comment about how she was going to slap the other individuals.

Officers decided to intervene. While attempting to intervene, Schmidt put both of her hands and forcefully pushed Officer Wagner. Schmidt was arrested.

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:
06/02/2025 08:55 AM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

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

Electronically Signed:
06/02/2025 08:42 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: June 2, 2025.

Judicial Officer

Mark Betters
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 06/02/2025 09:08 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.

Willow Lee Schmidt

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: