State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070114720
Court File No. 07-CR-26-4865

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL DENNIS VONRUDEN DOB: 04/13/1969

1111 Minnehaha Avenue W #6
St Paul, MN 55104-1468

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: Threats of Violence-Reckless Disregard Risk
Minnesota Statute: 609.713.1
Maximum Sentence: 5 years or $10,000 fine, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/14/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26036770

Charge Description: On or about November 14, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Michael Dennis Vonruden, did, threaten, directly or indirectly, to commit any crime of violence with purpose to terrorize another, or in a reckless disregard of the risk of causing such terror.

COUNT II

Charge: Assault - 4th Deg - Physician, nurse or other emergency room personnel
Minnesota Statute: 609.2231.2(a)(2), with reference to: 609.2231.2(b)
Maximum Sentence: 3 years or $6,000 fine, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/14/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26036770

Charge Description: On or about November 14, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Michael Dennis Vonruden, did, physically assault and inflict demonstrable bodily harm upon a physician, nurse, or other person providing health care services in a hospital emergency department.

COUNT III

Charge: Assault - 4th Deg - Physician, nurse or other emergency room personnel
Minnesota Statute: 609.2231.2(a)(2)

Maximum Sentence: 364 days or $3,000 fine, or both
Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 11/14/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26036770

Charge Description: On or about November 14, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Michael Dennis Vonruden, did, physically assault a physician, nurse, or other person providing health care services in a hospital emergency department.

COUNT IV

Charge: Assault - 4th Deg - Municipal or volunteer firefighter
Minnesota Statute: 609.2231.2(a)(1)(i)
Maximum Sentence: 364 days jail or $3,000 fine or both
Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 11/14/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26036770

Charge Description: On or about November 14, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Michael Dennis Vonruden did physically assault a member of a municipal or volunteer fire department in the performance of the member's duties.

COUNT V

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): 11/14/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26036770

Charge Description: On or about November 14, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Michael Dennis Vonruden did physically assault a peace officer when that officer was effecting a lawful arrest or executing any other duty imposed by law.

COUNT VI

Charge: Obstruct Firefighting-Interfere/Obstruct
Minnesota Statute: 609.50.1(3), with reference to: 609.50.2(2)
Maximum Sentence: 364 days jail or $3,000 fine or both
Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 11/14/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26036770

Charge Description: On or about November 14, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Michael Dennis Vonruden did, intentionally, interfere with or obstruct a firefighter while the firefighter 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 November 14, 2026, officers from the Mankato Department of Public Safety were dispatched to Business 1 within the City of Mankato on a report that an individual was intoxicated and bleeding from the top of his head. The individual, later identified as Michael Dennis Vonruden (DOB: 04/13/1969), had come into Business 1 alone and was loud and agitated.

Officer Christianson arrived and spoke with the complainant, Witness 1, who stated that Vonruden had arrived alone at the bar and was loud and agitated. Vonruden briefly left the bar before coming back a couple of minutes later and sat down at a table by himself. Witness 1 and other staff observed that Vonruden was bleeding from the top of his head, so Witness 1 called 911.

Officer Dierberger attempted to speak with Vonruden, but he was unwilling to answer questions. Vonruden continued to be loud and agitated, and Officer Dierberger noted that his speech was slurred. Mankato Firefighters arrived to assess Vonruden's head wound. Victim 1, a firefighter for the Mankato Fire Department, began asking Vonruden questions to assess the head injury. Vonruden then began calling Victim 1 and other firefighters various names and suddenly got up and forcefully shoved Victim 1 backward. Vonruden's shove of Victim 1 caused Victim 1 to lose his footing and fall backward.

Due to Vonruden's behavior, officers placed Vonruden in handcuffs before escorting him back to a chair so that the head wound could be checked by the firefighters. Victim 2 told Vonruden to sit still so that he could assess the head injury. Officer Dierberger noted that Vonruden stood up out of his chair and lunged at Victim 2 in an aggressive manner. Officer Dierberger noted that Vonruden repeatedly attempted to lunge toward Victim 2 while shouting "fucking cunt," "fuck you," "you want some of that?," and "I'm going to fucking kill you." Vonruden also told Officer Dierberger that "that fucking cunt is dead."

Officers escorted Vonruden out of Business 1 and placed him in a squad car to be transported to the hospital. After arriving at the hospital, Vonruden continued to be aggressive and adversarial toward law enforcement and hospital staff. Vonruden repeatedly attempted to kick his legs at staff and made comments threatening staff and trying to fight law enforcement.

Officer Schulte and Victim 3 attempted to restrain Vonruden. When Vonruden's left hand was taken out of the handcuffs, Vonruden grabbed Victim 3's neck section of his shirt and screamed in his face and wouldn't let go of Victim 3. Vonruden intentionally hit Victim 3's head with his knee. Victim 3 stated that he was just trying to place leg restraints on Vonruden.

While attempting to treat Vonruden, Victim 4 was hit by Vonruden on the forearm and elbow. Vonruden hit Victim 4 hard enough that it left visible reddening and marks on Victim 4's arm. Officer Dierberger was able to observe the mark and took photos. Victim 4 stated that she was fearful of Vonruden's actions.

Vonruden had to be chemically sedated in order to prevent further harm to staff and law enforcement.

On November 15th, Officers Wagner and Wright picked Vonruden up from the hospital to be transported to the Blue Earth County Jail. Vonruden was taken into a holding cell and Officer Wagner removed Vonruden's handcuffs. Vonruden turned around smiling while holding onto Officer Wright's shoulder. Vonruden then pulled his hand away and swung his closed fist at Officer Wright, landing on Officer Wright's shoulder/vest area. Vonruden then pulled back his closed fist again and began swinging towards Officer Wright when Officer Wright pushed him away.

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

Adam Gray
Operations Commander
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3117

Electronically Signed:
11/16/2026 12:35 PM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

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

Electronically Signed:
11/16/2026 11:28 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: November 16, 2026.

Judicial Officer Allison L Krehbiel
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 11/16/2026 03:16 PM

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH
STATE OF MINNESOTA

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Michael Dennis Vonruden

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: