

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

0070112649
07-CR-26-245

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

PAUL ANTHONY FIGUEROA DOB: 05/28/1966

456 E Sarnia St Apt 13
Winona, MN 55987-4070

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Summons

☒ Amended

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: Theft-Take/Use/Transfer Movable Prop-No Consent

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(1), with reference to: 609.52.3(2)

Maximum Sentence: 10 years or \$20,000, or both (over \$5,000)

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/18/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26001108

Charge Description: On or about January 18, 2026 at 1:58 AM, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Paul Anthony Figueroa, did, intentionally and without claim of right take, use, transfer, conceal or retain possession of the movable property of another without the other's consent and with intent to deprive the owner permanently of possession of the property and the value of the property or services stolen exceeded \$5,000.00.

COUNT II

Charge: Receiving Stolen Property

Minnesota Statute: 609.53.1, with reference to: 609.52.3(2)

Maximum Sentence: 20 years or \$100,000 fine

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/18/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26001108

Charge Description: On or about January 18, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Paul Anthony Figueroa did receive, possess, transfer, buy or conceal any stolen property or property obtained by robbery, knowing or having reason to know the property was stolen or obtained by robbery and the value of the property is over \$5,000.00.

COUNT III

Charge: Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 or paraphernalia residual - Not cannabis/hemp

Minnesota Statute: 152.025.2(a)(1), with reference to: 152.025.4(b)

Maximum Sentence: 5 years or \$10,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/18/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26001108

Charge Description: On or about January 18, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Paul Anthony Figueroa, did unlawfully possess one or more mixtures containing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, or IV, except a small amount of marijuana, and the mixture does not include any amount of a controlled substance in a fluid used in a water pipe, after having been previously convicted of a violation of Chapter 152.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On January 18, 2026, at 1:58 a.m., Lt. Kyle Phillips of the Blue Earth County Sheriff's Office was driving eastbound on US Highway 60 near US 169 when he observed an pickup truck pulling a camper trailer with no operating lights. The truck was a 2005 Ford 150, the camper trailer appeared brand new. The Ford sped up and drove behind a large business. The Deputy followed caught up with the parked camper and turned on his flashing lights.

The driver was identified as Paul Anthony Figueroa (DOB 05/28/1966). Figueroa's driver's license status is Revoked. Deputy Phillips noticed that the camper had no registration and looked brand new. Figueroa claimed he had picked up the trailer at a storage unit in Fairmont. Deputies noted that the interior of the camper was covered in plastic. Figueroa also admitted getting the camper at the dealership. Figueroa then changed back to the Fairmont story.

Investigation revealed that the camper had been stolen from Lake Chrystal Business 1, a camper dealership. The 2026 Grand Design Imagine XLS camper was listed as for sale on their website. Business 1 reported that it was last observed on their dealership lot as an inventory check on January 17th. The new trailer was on sale for over \$40,000.00. Figueroa told the Deputy that he had hooked up and towed the camper from the Business 1 dealership. Figueroa claimed he was picking the trailer up for a guy he knows.

In a search incident to arrest, deputies found a brown crystal substance in Figueroa's belongings. The substance field tested positive for methamphetamine. Figueroa admitted the meth was his. Figueroa also admitted that he had purchased the truck but had not yet registered with the state. The person who sold the truck confirmed that he had sold the F-150 to Figueroa two weeks ago.

Figueroa told a deputy that he had no insurance on the F-150.

On September 21, 2015, Figueroa was previously convicted of a Controlled Substance Crime in the 1st Degree in Scott County file 70-CR-15-5509.

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:
09/17/2026 09:49 AM
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:
09/17/2026 09:12 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: September 18, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Mark Betters
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 09/18/2026 09:19 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.

Paul Anthony Figueroa

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: