State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070114525
Court File No. 07-CR-26-4762

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ISAAC LOUIS SCHNEIDER DOB: 12/23/1997

2609 E Main Street
Mankato, MN 56001

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: Traffic - DWI - Refuse to submit to chemical test; Breath or test refusal or failure
Minnesota Statute: 169A.20.2(1), with reference to: 169A.26.2
Maximum Sentence: 364 days or $3,000 fine, or both
Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 10/22/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26021895

Charge Description: On or about October 22, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Isaac Louis Schneider,did, drive, operate, or was in physical control of any motor vehicle and the Defendant refused to submit to a chemical test of the person's breath upon the request of a peace officer who had probable cause to believe the person to be tested was under the influence.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

At approximately 7:24 p.m. on October 22, 2026, Deputies from the Blue Earth County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a two-vehicle crash in Blue Earth County. The drivers of the vehicles were identified as Witness 1 and Isaac Louis Schneider (DOB: 12/23/1997).

Witness 1 told Deputy Suckow that Witness 1 had been stopped at the intersection of State Highway 68 and U.S. Highway 169, preparing to turn northbound onto U.S. Highway 169, when Witness 1 observed a Toyota Tacoma turn northbound onto State Highway 68 from U.S. Highway 169, strike an eastside guardrail along State Highway 68, and then collide with the driver's side A-pillar and front driver's door of Witness 1's vehicle.

Schneider was the driver of the Toyota Tacoma.

While Lieutenant Othoudt spoke with Schneider, Othoudt detected a strong odor of a consumed alcoholic beverage on Schneider's breath and noted that Schneider's eyes were watery and bloodshot. While assessing the damage to both vehicles, Othoudt noticed a bottle of Pink Whitney alcohol on the driver's floorboard of Schneider's vehicle. Schneider denied having consumed alcohol.

Othoudt told Schneider he suspected Schneider was impaired and that Othoudt wanted Schneider to perform standardized field sobriety testing. When Othoudt administered to Schneider the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus test, Othoudt observed all six validated clues of impairment. Because Schneider has a prosthetic leg, Othoudt did not administer any other standardized field sobriety test.

Schneider provided a Preliminary Breath Test sample that returned a result of .221 AC. Othoudt placed Schneider under arrest and transported him to the Blue Earth County Jail.

At the jail, Othoudt read Schneider the Minnesota Breath Test Advisory at 8:26 p.m. After Schneider's attorney time ended, Othoudt asked Schneider if he would provide a breath sample. Because Schneider appeared confused, Othoudt read Schneider the Breath Test Advisory again, at which time Schneider agreed to provide a breath sample. After the 15-minute observation period, Schneider failed to provide an adequate breath sample. Othoudt explained the test results to Schneider and asked Schneider for another breath sample. Schneider again provided an inadequate breath sample. Othoudt advised Schneider that Schneider was going to be charged for refusing to submit to the breath test.

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 09:40 AM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Christopher K Lowe
Assistant County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
11/06/2026 03:38 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 09:59 AM

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

COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH
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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: