

State of Minnesota  
County of Blue Earth

District Court  
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070111504  
Court File No. 07-CR-25-3439

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State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

**TIMOTHY JOHN JOHANNSEN DOB: 04/07/1977**

510 South Avenue  
North Mankato, MN 56003

Defendant.

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**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: Giving Peace Officer False Name-of Another Person**

Minnesota Statute: 609.506.2

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/30/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25024827

Charge Description: On or about August 30, 2025 at 5:00 PM, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Timothy John Johannsen did, with intent to obstruct justice, give the name and date of birth of another person to a peace officer when that officer makes inquiries incident to a lawful investigatory stop or lawful arrest, or inquiries incident to executing any other duty imposed by law.

**COUNT II**

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

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(1), with reference to: 609.52.3(5)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days or \$1,000 fine, or both.

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/30/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25024827

Charge Description: On or about August 30, 2025 at 5:00 PM, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Timothy John Johannsen 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.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On August 30, 2025, officers from the Mankato Department of Public Safety were dispatched to a theft at a Mankato business. The suspect's vehicle was described as a blue Chevrolet pickup truck. The pickup also had "whiskey plates." As Officer Hullopetter headed to the business in a squad car and saw the truck heading toward him. The truck was a blue 2007 Chevrolet Silverado with Minnesota license plates numbered WT 1283. The officer stopped the truck

Officer Hullopetter spoke to the driver and noted that the passenger in the truck matched the description of the theft suspect. The passenger, unknown to officers, identified himself using the name and date of birth of a close male relative.

A short time later, Office McGuire discovered that the theft suspect / truck passenger was, in fact, Timothy John Johannsen (DOB 04/07/1977). Officer Hullopetter examined the DMV photo of Timothy John Johannsen and found it matched the passenger. Investigation further revealed that Timothy John Johannsen had the same relative's name listed as an alias on state registration paperwork.

Mankato Business 1 identified Timothy John Johannsen as the shoplifter who went to an automated checkout counter, but loaded other items into the bag without scanning them. When confronted by store security, he left the store without paying. The stolen items totaled \$65.90.

## 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:  
09/02/2025 10:06 AM  
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

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

Electronically Signed:  
09/02/2025 09:48 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 2, 2025.

**Judicial Officer**

Andrea Jo Lieser  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 09/02/2025 10:31 AM

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

COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH  
STATE OF MINNESOTA

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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: