State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070114395
Court File No. 07-CR-26-4295

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JUSTICE ARNESS TRYON DOB: 01/03/1997

559 Charles Avenue #2
St Paul, MN 55103-1967

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Summons

[X] 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: Felon Convicted Crime of Violence - Firearm Violation
Minnesota Statute: 609.165.1b(a), with reference to: 609.11.5(b)
Maximum Sentence: 15 Years or $30,000 fine or both.
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26032829

Charge Description: On or about October 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Justice Arness Tryon did ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm after having been convicted of a crime of violence.

COUNT II

Charge: Felon Convicted Crime of Violence - Firearm Violation
Minnesota Statute: 609.165.1b(a), with reference to: 609.11.5(b)
Maximum Sentence: 15 Years or $30,000 fine or both.
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26032829

Charge Description: On or about October 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Justice Arness Tryon did ship, transport, possess, or receive ammunition after having been convicted of a crime of violence.

COUNT III

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon
Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1, with reference to: 609.11.5(a)

Maximum Sentence: 7 years or $14,000 fine or both.
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26032829

Charge Description: On or about October 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Justice Arness Tryon, did assault another with a dangerous weapon; to wit: a firearm.

COUNT IV

Charge: Obstruct Legal Process-Interfere w/Peace Officer
Minnesota Statute: 609.50.1(2), with reference to: 609.50.2(1)
Maximum Sentence: 5 years or $10,000, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26032829

Charge Description: On or about October 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Justice Arness Tryon did obstruct, resist, or interfere with a peace officer while the officer is engaged in the performance of official duties, and he knew or had reason to know that the act created a risk of death, substantial bodily harm, or serious property damage.

COUNT V

Charge: Dangerous Weapons-Reckless Discharge of Firearm Within a Municipality
Minnesota Statute: 609.66.1a(a)(3), with reference to: 609.66.1a(b)(1)
Maximum Sentence: 5 years or $10,000, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/11/2026

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Charge Description: On or about October 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Justice Arness Tryon did recklessly discharge a firearm within a municipality and was committed in a public housing zone, as defined in section 152.01, subdivision 19, a school zone, as defined in section 152.01, subdivision 14a, or a park zone, as defined in section 152.01, subdivision 12a.

COUNT VI

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): 10/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26032829

Charge Description: On or about October 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Justice Arness Tryon, did unlawfully possess one or more mixtures containing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, or IV, except cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products or a residual amount of one or more mixtures of controlled substances contained in drug paraphernalia, and the mixture does not include any amount of a controlled substance

in a fluid used in a water pipe and said controlled substance was more than .25 grams or 1 dosage unit.

COUNT VII

Charge: Fleeing a Peace Officer By a Means Other Than a Motor Vehicle
Minnesota Statute: 609.487.6
Maximum Sentence: 90 days or $1,000 fine, or both.
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 10/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26032829

Charge Description: On or about October 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Justice Arness Tryon, did, for the purpose of avoiding arrest, detention, or investigation, attempted to evade or elude a peace officer who is acting in the lawful discharge of an official duty, by means of running, hiding or any other means other than fleeing in a motor vehicle.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On October 11, 2026, at approximately 12:26 AM, Sergeant Kaiser of the Mankato Department of Public Safety was conducting patrol in the downtown entertainment district of Mankato, Minnesota, Blue Earth County. The area was heavily populated as a concert and a collegiate hockey game had recently finished.

Sergeant Kaiser observed a disturbance in front of a bar. An unidentified individual then alerted Sergeant Kaiser that a male had a gun. Sergeant Kaiser approached the disturbance and observed two individuals in a disturbance. The individuals were Victim 1 and Justice Arness Tryon (dob 1/3/1997). Sergeant Kaiser immediately observed that Tryon had a black handgun in his right hand. Sergeant Kaiser observed Tryon strike Victim 1 with the firearm. Sergeant Kaiser immediately drew her duty weapon and directed Tryon that she was police and to drop the gun. Tryon fled with the firearm in his hand.

A foot pursuit ensued. Sergeant Kaiser dispatched the emergency to other officers. Tryon fled for multiple blocks. Officers commanded Tryon to stop and that he was under arrest. Tryon continued to flee with the firearm.

Tryon was eventually tackled by Officer Cogswell in a park zone. Tryon still had the firearm in his hand. A struggle ensued on the ground and Detective Lopez helped attempt to arrest Tryon. Officers were attempting to take possession of the firearm while he actively resisted. Detective Lopez placed downward pressure on the firearm to prevent Tryon from using the firearm on officers. While the struggle occurred on the ground, Tryon discharged the firearm. No one was struck.

Eventually, Detective Lopez was able to take possession of the firearm. Sergeant Kaiser deployed her Taser and Tryon was eventually arrested.

Tryon had a fanny pack on him. Inside, officers found 7 blue bars that are suspected alprazolam. Officers also found 68 white pills that are suspected alprazolam.

Tryon was taken to MCHS and cleared. Tryon was transported to jail. Tryon disclosed to the jail nurse that he was a habitual benzodiazepine user for the last years. The nurse indicated he needed to be taken to a detoxification facility.

At the jail, Tryon made unprompted statements that he was given the firearm before going downtown. Tryon stated he was tackled by officers and was unable to throw the firearm.

Tryon is prohibited for life from possessing firearms or ammunition based on a first-degree burglary conviction in 2019 in Court File 66-CR-18-2113.

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

Matthew Huettl
Patrol Sergeant
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3142

Electronically Signed:
11/10/2026 10:27 AM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

John L.V. Brooks
Assistant Blue Earth County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
11/09/2026 04:30 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.

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[ ] 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 10, 2026.

Judicial Officer Mark Betters
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 11/10/2026 10:47 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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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: