

State of Minnesota  
County of Blue Earth

District Court  
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070112729  
Court File No. 07-CR-26-616

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**State of Minnesota,**

Plaintiff,

**COMPLAINT**

Summons

vs.

**BENJAMIN WADE WILLIAMS DOB: 11/30/1982**

322 E Cherry Street  
Mankato, MN 56001

Defendant.

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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: Predatory Offender - Knowingly commits act or fails to fulfill registration requirement**

Minnesota Statute: 243.166.5(a)(1), with reference to: 243.166.5(c)

Maximum Sentence: Not less than 2 years, nor more than 5 years, or \$10,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/23/2026

Control # (ICR#): 26002624

Charge Description: On or about January 23, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Benjamin Wade Williams did, as a person required to register under section 243.166 who was given notice, knows, or reasonably should know of the duty to register and who knowingly committed an act or failed to fulfill a requirement that violates any provision of this section.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

Benjamin Wade Williams (DOB: 11/30/1982) is required to register as a Predatory Offender in the State of Minnesota. On January 23, 2026, Mankato Department of Public Safety officers investigated criminal activity involving Williams. Officer Ellis investigated Williams' primary address as it relates to his requirement to register as a Predatory Offender. Williams initially reported his primary address as 322 E Cherry, Mankato, Minnesota, on March 1, 2025, in his Address Verification Form. On January 16, 2026, Williams again reported his primary address as 322 E Cherry, Mankato, MN.

During the investigation stemming from the January 23, 2026 incident, Officer Ellis learned from Witness 1, the owner of 322 E Cherry, Mankato, MN, that no person was supposed to be living in 322 E Cherry. Witness 1 further informed officers that Witness 2, who assists Witness 1 in managing the property, had confirmed to Witness 1 on September 19, 2025, that all tenants had vacated 322 E Cherry. Witness 2 also informed officers that Williams has not lived at 322 E Cherry "for quite some time".

Williams is currently charged with a Felony POR Violation in 07-CR-25-2357.

Williams also has a prior conviction for a Felony POR Violation in 07-CR-24-4668.

## 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.

<b>Complainant</b>	Katelyn Kaiser Patrol Officer 710 S Front St Mankato, MN 56001-3803 Badge: 3157	Electronically Signed: 02/17/2026 12:01 PM Blue Earth County, Minnesota
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Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

<b>Prosecuting Attorney</b>	Todd Coryell Assistant County Attorney 401 Carver Road PO Box 3129 Mankato, MN 56002 (507) 304-4600	Electronically Signed: 02/17/2026 06:44 AM
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## 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.

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*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: February 17, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Timothy J. Looby  
Judge of District Court

Electronically Signed: 02/17/2026 02:57 PM

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.

**Benjamin Wade Williams**

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: