

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070112243
Court File No. 07-CR-25-4712

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,
vs.

COMPLAINT
Summons
 Amended

TYLER JACOB BROWN DOB: 03/31/1998
422 Dorothy Day Place
St Paul, MN 55102
Defendant.

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: Check Forgery-Offer/Possess W/Intent to Defraud
Minnesota Statute: 609.631.3, with reference to: 609.631.4(3)(a)
Maximum Sentence: 5 years or \$10,000, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/20/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25033381

Charge Description: On or about November 20, 2025, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Tyler Jacob Brown did, intentionally aid, advise, hire, counsel or conspire with or otherwise procure another to commit the crime; to wit: with intent to defraud, offer, or possess with intent to offer, a forged check, whether or not it was accepted and the aggregate value of the forged check(s) is more than \$250.00 but less than \$2,500.00.

COUNT II

Charge: Check Forgery-Offer/Possess W/Intent to Defraud
Minnesota Statute: 609.631.3, with reference to: 609.631.4(2)
Maximum Sentence: 10 years or \$20,000 fine, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/20/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25033381

Charge Description: On or about November 20, 2025, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Tyler Jacob Brown did with intent to defraud, offered, or possessed with intent to offer, a forged check whether or not it is accepted and the aggregate value of the forged check(s) was more than \$2,500.00.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On November 20, 2025, at approximately 3:34 PM, Officer Strong the Mankato Department of Public Safety was dispatched to a bank on report that an individual is attempting to cash a fraudulent check. Officer Strong arrived at the bank and made contact with Witness 1, the CEO of the bank. Officer Strong also made contact with the suspect, Tyler Jacob Brown.

Witness 1 said Brown attempted to cash a check for \$2,300 that appeared to be fraudulent. The check was made out to Brown by Business 1 but had lettering and digits that were inconsistent with normal checks.

Officer Strong spoke with the owner of Business 1. He stated the check was fraudulent.

Officer Strong spoke with Brown. Brown stated that he was homeless and two males offered him cash and booze to cash checks. Brown said he would endorse the checks by signing his name and cash them. He knew it was suspicious that the checks were given to him with his name. Brown stated he knew it was probably wrong and against the law but wanted to get out of the homeless shelter.

Law enforcement later learned that Brown also passed two fraudulent checks at Business 2, totaling \$2,178.64.

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:
02/19/2026 11:12 AM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

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

Electronically Signed:
02/19/2026 10:29 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.

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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 19, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Timothy J. Looby
Judge of District Court

Electronically Signed: 02/19/2026 11:48 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.

Tyler Jacob Brown

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: