

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070113842
Court File No. 07-CR-26-2979

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

GREGG ALLEN PAGEL DOB: 08/14/1971

510 Timberwolf Drive #212
Mankato, MN 56001

Defendant.

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: 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): 07/21/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26022762

Charge Description: On or about July 21, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Gregg Allen Pagel, did unlawfully possess one or more mixtures containing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, or IV, except a small amount of marijuana, and the mixture does not include any amount of a controlled substance in a fluid used in a water pipe, after having been previously convicted of a violation of Chapter 152.

COUNT II

Charge: Traffic-DL-Driving after cancellation-inimical to public safety

Minnesota Statute: 171.24.5

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 07/21/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26022762

Charge Description: On or about July 21, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Gregg Allen Pagel did after being given notice, or reasonably should have known of the cancellation, disobeyed the order by operating in this state any motor vehicle, the operation of which requires a driver's license, while her/his license or privilege was canceled; and the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety has

determined that the operation of a motor vehicle on the highways by the person would be inimical to the public safety or welfare.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On July 21, 2026, Officer Nicholas Herwig was on routine patrol in the City of Mankato within Blue Earth County. While on patrol Officer Herwig located a Chevrolet Trailblazer driving Westbound on Hwy 14 and exited on Northbound Hwy 22. Officer Herwig observed the vehicle to have tint too dark on the driver and passenger windows, and a cracked windshield. Officer Herwig recognized the vehicle with license plate ZER909 as a vehicle known to be driven by Gregg Allen Pagel (DOB 8/14/1971). The driver appeared to be a bald white male, matching Pagel's description. Officer Herwig knew that Pagel had multiple active warrants for his arrest, and that he had a driving status of cancelled -inimical to public safety. Officer then activated his emergency lights and pulled the vehicle over.

Officer Herwig approached the vehicle and observed a female sitting in the front passenger seat making abnormal movements. He then made contact with the driver and identified himself as Gregg Allen Pagel. Pagel was asked to shut off his vehicle, and he was then arrested for his active warrants. Pagel was initially non-cooperative. He was eventually handcuffed. Officer Herwig then walked Pagel to the front of the squad car and searched for his person incident to arrest. In his right bottom shorts pocket Officer Herwig found a small metal tube that contained a usable amount of a white crystal substance which later tested positive for methamphetamine weigh 5.77 grams.

Commander McGinnis also arrived on scene and was able to identify the female passenger as Maryann Lee Hanson (DOB 7/23/1983) While speaking with Hanson. She indicated that there was something in the vehicle that she did not want law enforcement to find. Officer Colton Pike and Officer Herwig searched the vehicle and found the following items:

- 18 hydromorphone pills (Schedule II controlled substance) found in Hanon's purse
- A pill pack containing 30 hydromorphone pills prescribed to another individual. Found in rear passenger seat
- A pack containing 30 hyoscyamine pills prescribed to another individual. Found in rear passenger seat.

Pagel read the Miranda advisory and chose to speak with law enforcement.

- He had used methamphetamine last week.
- He admitted that the methamphetamine in the vehicle was his.
- He knew there were two narcotic bubble pipes in the vehicle.
- He knew his driving status was Canceled-IPS

Pagel was ultimately transported to the Blue Earth County Jail. Hanson was allowed to drive the vehicle home, but law enforcement indicated to her that charges were most likely forthcoming.

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

Adam Gray
Operations Commander
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3117

Electronically Signed:
07/22/2026 03:13 PM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Benjamin J Dolan
Assistant County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
07/22/2026 02:39 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).

☐ 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: July 22, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Kristine Weeks
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 07/22/2026 03:28 PM

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 Order of Detention upon the Defendant herein named.

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: