

State of Minnesota  
County of Blue Earth

District Court  
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070113017  
Court File No. 07-CR-26-975

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**State of Minnesota,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**JERRY DELL POWERS DOB: 01/31/1981**

101 Glenwood Avenue #409  
Mankato, MN 56001

Defendant.

**COMPLAINT**

Order of Detention

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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)

Maximum Sentence: 5 years or \$10,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 08/27/2025

Control #(ICR#): 26006836

Charge Description: On or about March 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jerry Dell Powers 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.

**COUNT II**

**Charge: Predatory Offender - Fails to Mail Verification Form w/ 10 Days or Report During Month of Birth**

Minnesota Statute: 243.166.4(e)(4)

Maximum Sentence: 5 years or \$10,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 08/27/2025

Control #(ICR#): 26006836

Charge Description: On or about March 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jerry Dell Powers did as a registered predatory offender, fail to mail the completed and signed verification form to the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension within ten days after receipt of the form or the person failed to report to the law enforcement authority during the month of the person's birth date.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On March 6, 2026, Officer Kelly Wood of the Mankato Department of Public Safety became aware of a situation concerning Jerry Powers. Officer Wood became aware through a Crime Stoppers anonymous tip that was submitted to the Mankato Department of Public Safety. The tip indicated that Powers was residing in Residence a multi-unit housing complex. The Housing Complex is located in Mankato within the County of Blue Earth. The tip sheet also indicate that Powers has been suspected of selling narcotics from this Residence.

Officer Wood recognized the name Jerry Powers, as she has served as a member of Mankato DPS: Predatory Offender Tracking Team (PORTT) for many years. Office Wood is aware that Powers is a registered predatory offender in the State of Minnesota with a registration period that is not set to expire until the year 2054.

Officer Wood viewed Powers POR checklist, and it did not indicate a Mankato address, it only indicated his primary address as "INCARERATED (Olmsted County Jail) from 8/20/2025- Present. Officer Wood then reviewed Olmsted's County Jail roster and noted that Powers was not listed as incarcerated. Officer Wood then contacted Jail Staff at Olmsted County and confirmed that Powers was there from 8/20/2025-8/27/2025. Wood also discovered several arrest warrants for Powers.

Officer Powers requested a non-compliance packet via MN BCA POR website and requested Powers be marked as non-compliant. Officer Wood received reference #15876. Officer Wood then made several attempts to locate Powers. Officer Wood discovered from Witness 1 that Powers has been in the area and even lived with him for a week. It was also discovered through investigations that Powers Annual Verification Letter Most recently sent on June 6, 2025, had a Status of "Not Returned." Powers has certain requirements to fulfill as a Predatory Offender; Powers has failed to fulfill his registration requirements and has failed to return verification letter.

Powers was arrested on March 9, 2026, due to his several outstanding warrants and was transported to the Blue Earth County Jail.

## 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**

Jesse Gilbertson  
Patrol Sergeant  
710 S Front St  
Mankato, MN 56001-3803  
Badge: 3126

Electronically Signed:  
03/10/2026 10:18 AM  
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:  
03/10/2026 10:05 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: March 10, 2026.

**Judicial Officer**

Mark Betters  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 03/10/2026 10:30 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.

**Jerry Dell Powers**

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: