

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

0070113969
07-CR-26-3316

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DUSTIN DANIEL PIERSON DOB: 12/23/2000

309 Catfish Street
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: Theft-Take/Use/Transfer Movable Prop-No Consent

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(1), with reference to: 609.52.3(3)(c)

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 08/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26025356

Charge Description: On or about August 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Dustin Daniel Pierson, did intentionally aid, advise, hire, counsel, or conspire with, or otherwise procure another to commit the crime, and/or did personally commit said crime; to wit: intentionally and without claim of right take, use, transfer, conceal or retain possession of the movable property of another without the other's consent and with intent to deprive the owner permanently of possession of the property and the value of the property or services stolen is more than \$500 but not more than \$1,000 and the person has been convicted within the preceding five years for an offense under this section, section 256.98; 268.182; 609.24; 609.245; 609.53; 609.582, subdivision 1, 2, or 3; 609.625; 609.63; 609.631; or 609.821, or a statute from another state, the United States, or a foreign jurisdiction, in conformity with any of those sections, and the person received a felony or gross misdemeanor sentence for the offense.

COUNT II

Charge: Carry BB Gun/Rifle/Shotgun/Aslt Wpn-Public Place

Minnesota Statute: 624.7181.2

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26025356

Charge Description: On or about August 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Dustin Daniel Pierson did carry a BB gun in a public place.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On August 11, 2026, Officer Marzolf of the Mankato Department of Public Safety received a report of theft from Business 1, a store in the City of Mankato. Witness 1, an Asset Protection Investigator, reported that he observed Dustin Daniel Pierson (12/23/2000) and Cassandra Jane Gimmer (03/21/1986) steal a generator and other items worth more than \$500.00. They loaded the items into a White Chevy Avalanche.

Officer Marzolf is familiar with Pierson and Gimmer. Officer Marzolf reviewed DVS records which showed that Gimmer owns an Avalanche bearing MN License Plate # FJD902.

Officer Marzolf located the Avalanche near Pierson and Gimmer's address. Officer Marzolf stopped the vehicle, located Pierson and Gimmer, and observed a generator in a sealed box in the back of the truck.

Officer Marzolf arrested Pierson. Officer Honetschlager took Gimmer into custody. Officers searched the vehicle and located an uncased, realistic-looking BB gun under the passenger seat, apparent stolen items in a blue bag, and the generator.

Officer Marzolf read Pierson the Miranda warning. Pierson agreed to speak and told Officer Marzolf that he had stolen the generator. Pierson also acknowledged that he kept the BB gun in in the car.

Officers returned the recovered items to Business 1. Officers learned the total value of the stolen merchandise was \$761.18.

On May 14, 2026, Pierson was convicted of Felony Theft in Court File # 08-CR-25-865.

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

Jeff Knutson
Sergeant
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3148

Electronically Signed:
08/12/2026 11:58 AM
Blue Earth County,

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:
08/12/2026 11:31 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: August 12, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Bradley C Walker
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 08/12/2026 12:47 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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Dustin Daniel Pierson

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: