

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070113847
Court File No. 07-CR-26-2965

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DOMMENIQC SHAY BELL DOB: 04/30/1999

1578 Heather Street
Craig, CO 81625

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: Carry/Possess Pistol w/out Permit - Public Place - Gross Misdemeanor; Second or Subsequent - Felony-G

Minnesota Statute: 624.714.1a

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

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

Control #(ICR#): 26015306

Charge Description: On or about July 21, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Dommeniqc Shay Bell did, did carry, hold or possess a pistol in a motor vehicle, snowmobile, or boat or on or about the person's clothes or the person or was otherwise in possession or control in a public place, as defined in section 624.7181, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), without first having obtained a permit to carry the pistol.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On July 21, 2026, Deputy Arkell with the Blue Earth County Sheriff's Office was on patrol in Blue Earth County Minnesota. Deputy Arkell initiated a traffic stop after observing a vehicle speeding. Specifically, the vehicle was traveling 77 miles per hour in a 65 miles per hour zone and then 65 miles per hour in a 50 miles per hour zone.

The driver was identified as Dommeniqc Shay Bell. There was also a female and a child in the vehicle. Deputy Arkell observed a firearm in the vehicle. Bell admitted he had a handgun in the vehicle. Bell said he did not have a permit to carry the firearm in any state, and stated Colorado allows him to carry without a permit.

The firearm was recovered, which was Kimber 1911 .45 cal handgun with ammunition in the magazine. The firearm was uncased in the vehicle.

Bell was cooperative and spoke with Deputy Arkell. Bell stated he left Colorado last week and travelled to Wisconsin with his girlfriend and their joint child. Bell said they were on their way home to Colorado. Bell stated the firearm is his and he openly legally carries it in Colorado without a permit. Bell stated he forgot to look into the carry laws in Minnesota or Wisconsin.

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

Paul Barta
Captain
401 Carver Rd
Mankato, MN 56002-0228
Badge: 2721

Electronically Signed:
07/22/2026 09:28 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:
07/22/2026 09:25 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: July 22, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Kristine Weeks
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 07/22/2026 09:47 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.

Dommeniqc Shay Bell

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: