

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070114329
Court File No. 07-CR-26-4144

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

KANE ALAN STRONG DOB: 07/17/1999

427 S Rice Street
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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: Stalking - Engages in Stalking

Minnesota Statute: 609.749.5(a)

Maximum Sentence: 10 years or \$20,000 or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 07/20/2026 to 10/02/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26031587

Charge Description: On or between July 20, 2026 and October 2, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Kane Alan Strong, did engage in stalking with respect to a single victim or one or more members of a single household which the actor knows or has reason to know would cause the victim under the circumstances to feel terrorized or to fear bodily harm and which does cause this reaction on the part of the victim.

COUNT II

Charge: Violate No Contact Order - Within 10 years of the first of two or more convictions

Minnesota Statute: 629.75.2(d)(1)

Maximum Sentence: 30 days to 5 years or \$10,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 10/01/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26031587

Charge Description: On or about October 1, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Kane Alan Strong did violate a Domestic Abuse No-Contact Order and the respondent or person to be restrained knew of the existence of the order and the violation occurred within ten years of the first of two or more previous qualified domestic violence-related offense convictions or adjudications of delinquency.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

In Court File No. 07-CR-26-3015, Kane Alan Strong (DOB: 07/17/1999) is charged with Count I: Domestic Assault-Strangulation; and Count II: Domestic Assault (Felony) for offenses allegedly committed against Victim 1 on July 20, 2026.

Following that incident, Victim 1 reported to police that Strong is going to end up hurting Victim 1 very badly.

Police took photos of Victim 1's injuries which included two contusions on the left side of the neck, a swollen right eye with bruising around it, a cut near Victim 1's right eye, bruises and scratches on Victim 1's upper right arm, and a swollen left wrist. At that time, Strong and Victim 1 had been in a significant romantic and sexual relationship for eight months.

On July 31, 2026, The Honorable Mark E. Betters, Judge of District Court, signed a Domestic Abuse No Contact Order ("DANCO") in Court File No. 07-CR-26-3015, listing Strong as the Defendant and Victim 1 as the Protected Person. The DANCO prohibits Strong was having "contact directly, indirectly or through others, in person, by telephone, in writing, electronically or by any other means with [Victim 1]." It also prohibits Strong from going wherever Victim 1 resides. A copy of the DANCO was served upon Strong on July 31, 2026.

Just after midnight on October 2, 2026, Officers from the Mankato Department of Public Safety responded to a report of a disturbance at a residence in Blue Earth County. The Complainant said it sounded like a male and female were fighting in the apartment next door, and the Complainant heard someone say, "get off of me." The Complainant reported hearing a lot of banging.

When Officer Christ arrived to the apartment building, he noted a male leaving the building and walking away from Christ. When Christ shined a light on the male, Christ observed the male had a bloody lip, multiple scratches on the male's face, and a bruise on the male's neck.

Christ identified the male as Strong. Strong said he'd been visiting his friend "Marcus" and consuming alcohol. When Christ asked Strong if Strong had been with anyone else, Strong lowered his face into his hands and began to cry. Strong said he was going to prison.

Strong provided a preliminary breath test sample that returned a result of 0.126 AC.

Officer Cogswell spoke with the other individuals present in the apartment where the reported disturbance occurred and identified one of them as Victim 1. Cogswell noted that Victim 1's nose was swollen and bleeding.

Because of the suspected DANCO violation, Officer Christ transported Strong to the Blue Earth County Jail, where Christ read Strong the Miranda advisory. Strong agreed to speak with Christ about the incident.

Strong stated he had been staying in the same residence with Victim 1 and Witness 1 the last few days. Strong said he, Witness 1, and Victim 1 had consumed alcoholic beverages together that evening. Strong admitted he was aware of the DANCO protecting Victim 1.

Strong has been convicted of the following qualified domestic violence-related offenses in the last ten years: (1) DANCO Violation – Court File No. 25-CR-23-1445 – convicted February 1, 2024; (2) Domestic Assault-By Strangulation – Court File No. 55-CR-22-8358 – convicted December 8, 2023; and (3) HRO

Violation – Court File No. 25-CR-18-2122 – convicted November 8, 2018.

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

Ken Baker
Commander/Patrol Division
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3144

Electronically Signed:
10/02/2026 11:11 AM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Christopher K Lowe
Assistant County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
10/02/2026 10:58 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: October 2, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Kristine Weeks
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 10/02/2026 11:56 AM

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: