

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070113548
Court File No. 07-CR-26-2311

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

TRISTA MORGANAN THOFSON DOB: 02/22/1993

No Permanent Address
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: Emergency Telephone Calls/Communications - Interrupt, Interfere, Impede, Disrupt 911 Call

Minnesota Statute: 609.78.2(1)

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 06/07/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26017685

Charge Description: On or about June 7, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Trista Morganan Thofson did and intentionally interrupt, disrupt, impede, or interfere with an emergency call or intentionally prevent or hinder another from placing an emergency call.

COUNT II

Charge: Obstruct Legal Process-Interfere w/Peace Officer

Minnesota Statute: 609.50.1(2), with reference to: 609.50.2(2)

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 06/07/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26017685

Charge Description: On or about June 7, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Trista Morganan Thofson did, intentionally, obstruct, resist, or interfere with a peace officer while the officer was engaged in the performance of official duties and the act was accompanied by force or violence or the threat thereof.

COUNT III

Charge: Assault-5th Deg-Inflict or Attempt Bodily Harm

Minnesota Statute: 609.224.1(2)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days or \$1,000 fine, or both.

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 06/07/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26017685

Charge Description: On or about June 7, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Trista Morganan Thofson, did intentionally inflict or attempted to inflict bodily harm upon another.

COUNT IV

Charge: Assault-5th Degree-Fear of Bodily Harm or Death

Minnesota Statute: 609.224.1(1)

Maximum Sentence: 90 days or \$1,000 fine, or both.

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 06/07/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26017685

Charge Description: On or about June 7, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Trista Morganan Thofson, did commit an act with intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death.

COUNT V

Charge: Damage to Property-4th Deg-Intentional Damage-Other Circumstances

Minnesota Statute: 609.595.3

Maximum Sentence: 90 days or \$1,000 fine, or both.

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 06/07/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26017685

Charge Description: On or about June 7, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Trista Morganan Thofson did intentionally cause damage to another person's physical property without the other person's consent.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On June 7, 2026, officers in Mankato Department of Public Safety were dispatched to a shelter located in Mankato, Minnesota, Blue Earth County, on report that a client had assaulted a staff member.

Officers arrived and made contact with Victim 1. Victim 1 stated that Trista Morganan Thofson, dob 2/22/1993, had become upset and was yelling about people being trafficked. Victim 1 asked Thofson to leave the space but Thofson refused. Victim 1 became concerned about her safety and wanted the door closed but Thofson was blocking the door. Thofson became more verbally aggressive and angry. Victim 1 stated she then took out her cell phone and made a comment to Thofson about calling for help or her calling 911. Thofson then grabbed Victim 1's phone and threw it to the ground causing damage to the phone. Thofson also threw Victim 1 to the ground. Victim 1 stated she was scared for her safety based on Thofson's conduct.

Officers went to Thofson's room and attempted to make contact with her. Staff also stated that they wanted Thofson to leave the premise. Thofson was uncooperative with officers and refused to follow commands. Thofson used force to physically obstruct officers and not follow their commands. Thofson refused to walk or stand upon officers' commands.

Thofson eventually had to be secured to a gurney. Thofson was taken to the hospital for an evaluation. Thofson was uncooperative with medical staff. Thofson was then brought to 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

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

Electronically Signed:
06/08/2026 02:42 PM
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:
06/08/2026 02:07 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.

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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: June 8, 2026.

Judicial Officer Andrea Jo Lieser
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 06/08/2026 03:00 PM

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.

Trista Morganan Thofson

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: