

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070112796
Court File No. 07-CR-26-507

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

RYAN ROBERT WOLNER DOB: 03/13/2008

55010 Sunrise Lane
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: Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.1

Maximum Sentence: 20 years or \$35,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/30/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25034385

Charge Description: On or about November 30, 2025 in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Ryan Robert Wolner, did, while committing a robbery, possess a dangerous weapon or any article used or fashioned in a manner to lead the victim to reasonably believe it to be a dangerous weapon or inflicted bodily harm upon another.

COUNT II

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1

Maximum Sentence: 7 years or \$14,000 fine or both.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/30/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25034385

Charge Description: On or about November 30, 2025, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Ryan Robert Wolner, did assault another with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT III

Charge: Kidnapping-Confine/Remove Any Person-No Consent

Minnesota Statute: 609.25.1, with reference to: 609.25.2(1)

Maximum Sentence: 20 years or \$35,000 fine, or both If safe-no GBH OR 40 Years or \$50,000 or both if GBH or vic under 16

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/30/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25034385

Charge Description: On or about November 30, 2025, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Ryan Robert Wolner, did confine or remove from one place to another, any person without the person's consent, or, if the person is under the age of 16 years, without the consent of the person's parents or other legal custodian, and did so to facilitate commission of any felony or flight thereafter; and the victim was released in a safe place without great bodily harm.

COUNT IV

Charge: Possess Ammo/Pistol/Assault Weapon - Under 18 yrs Old

Minnesota Statute: 624.713.1(1), with reference to: 624.713.2(a)

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/30/2025

Control #(ICR#): 25034385

Charge Description: On or about November 30, 2025, in the County of Blue Earth, said Defendant, Ryan Robert Wolner did being under the age of 18 years, possess a pistol.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On November 30, 2025, at approximately 8:36pm officers with the Mankato Department of Public Safety were dispatched to a report of a robbery outside of a business in the City of Mankato. Victim 1 reported his money and wallet were taken from him at gunpoint. Victim 1 reported that he was traveling to Business 1 to pick up a friend.

When he arrived in the parking lot an individual known to him as Ryan Robert Wolner, DOB 3/13/2008, the Defendant herein, approached his truck and pulled out a gun. Victim 1 described the gun as a black handgun, similar to the duty weapon Officer Rutz was carrying, which was a Glock 19. Victim 1 observed the Defendant manipulate the slide of the handgun and noted the noise was consistent with that of a real gun. Based upon Victim 1's experience with firearms he believed the Defendant to be loading a round into the chamber of the gun. The Defendant then took two steps back and pointed the handgun at Victim 1, aiming it near his head.

As he did so, the Defendant also used his thumb to manipulate something near the back end of the slide of the gun. Based upon Officer Rutz's training and experience he believed Victim 1's description was consistent with a handgun that had a "switch" or one that had been outfitted with an automatic sear, allowing the gun to fire in automatic mode. As the Defendant pointed the gun at Victim 1, he yelled at him to open the door. The Defendant then hit the driver's door glass with the bottom of the pistol grip. Out of fear of being shot, Victim 1 unlocked the doors. Victim 1 stated he believed that if he did not unlock the door the Defendant would shoot him and kill him.

Another individual, a masked black male was present with the Defendant. This male was standing back recording the events that were unfolding on a cellphone. The Defendant then walked around to the passenger's side and entered into Victim 1's truck, and the other male entered into the backseat as he continued to record. The Defendant continued to hold the gun out in front of his chest and he told Victim 1 to start driving out of the parking lot. The Defendant then asked Victim 1 if he had any money. Victim 1 indicated he did not and showed the Defendant the balance on his Cash App on his phone. The Defendant then began rummaging through the center console and located Victim 1's wallet, a brown Guess brand braided leather bifold wallet containing Victim 1's driving permit and an estimated \$890-900 in cash. Victim 1 indicated he had 8- \$100 bills, 1- \$50 bill, 1- \$20 bill, 2- \$10 bills and possibly some smaller bills. The Defendant then placed the wallet in his front, right jacket pocket.

Victim 1 drove one lap around the apartment complex. After taking the wallet the Defendant pointed to one of the nearby apartment buildings. The Defendant and the male party then exited the vehicle and ran into a residential apartment building located behind Business 1. As the Defendant and male party were running into the building Victim 1 observed 3 other black males wearing ski masks and all black clothing and two white females standing inside the door of the building. Once the Defendant entered the building the group disappeared inside. Victim 1 indicated that the Defendant was wearing a black Nike zip jacket, black Nike pants and a ski mask. Victim 1 is personally familiar with the Defendant, having gone to school with him and hanging out with him as friends until they had a falling out last summer. Victim 1 was 100% positive the Defendant was Ryan Wolner, recognizing him by his voice, eyes and size.

When the Defendant entered into Victim 1's truck he also pulled down the mask to his neck revealing his mouth and nose, further confirming his identity to Victim 1. The second male was wearing a black ski mask and a blue hoodie sweatshirt. After the Defendant got out of his truck Victim 1 drove to a nearby store, Business 2 and called 911 to report the robbery. Victim 1 had received some text messages from Witness 1, the female friend he was intending to pick up from Business 1 before he was robbed. In those messages, Witness 1 told Victim 1 to "leave". Officer Wagner made contact with Witness 1 and obtained

a statement from her.

Witness 1 stated she was hanging out with The Defendant at his "Air BNB" or short-term rental, apartment along with Witness 2, her female friend and around 3-6 other people. Witness 1 stated she used to hang out in a larger group with the Defendant and Victim 1, and that she was aware that the Defendant was upset about Victim 1 not paying the Defendant back for some money he owed him. After hanging out for a bit Witness 1 asked Victim 1 to come pick her and her friend up to drop them off at the movies. When the Defendant realized that Witness 1 was talking to Victim 1 he became upset. Witness 1 had told Victim 1 to pick her up outside Business 1 and was intending to walk over from the Defendant's apartment nearby.

As Witness 1 and Witness 2, her friend were leaving the Defendant followed them and the Defendant ran up to Victim 1's vehicle. Witness 1 saw the Defendant get into Victim 1's vehicle and drive away. The Defendant returned a few minutes later and Victim 1 drove away without giving Witness 1 and 2 a ride as planned.

Officers then made contact with Witness 3, who manages the apartment building. Witness 3 identified the apartment unit associated with the Defendant. Officers obtained a search warrant for the apartment. While searching the apartment Officers did not find any people present in the apartment but did locate a black Nike jacket, size medium, in a bedroom on top of a bed. Officers also located a handgun which appeared to be hidden behind a full-length mirror. The handgun was a Ruger 9mm with a loaded magazine, black in color and no observable serial number. This firearm was noted to be consistent with the description provided by Victim 1 of the one that was used in the robbery.

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:
02/09/2026 08:58 AM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Patrick R. McDermott
Blue Earth County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
02/09/2026 08:53 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: February 9, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Greg Anderson
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 02/09/2026 09:07 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: