State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070114705
Court File No. 07-CR-26-4935

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MARY BETH MANNA DOB: 07/18/1992

50044 169th Street
Lake Crystal, MN 56055

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Summons

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(5)
Maximum Sentence: 90 days or $1,000 fine, or both.
Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 09/11/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26001767

Charge Description: On or about September 11, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Mary Beth Manna did, intentionally and without claim of right, take, use, transfer, conceal or retain possession of movable property of another without the other's consent and with intent to deprive the owner permanently of possession of the property.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On November 11, 2026, Officer Colter Killion of the Lake Crystal Police Department received a call from Victim 1 to set up a civil stand by to retriever her kittens from Mary Beth Manna (Mary Beth Manna (07/18/1992). Victim stated that Manna had kittens at a farm in Blue Earth County.

Officer Killion met with Victim and learned that Victim had gotten the kittens from her cousin and asked Manna to watch the kittens until Victim acquired an apartment. The kittens were given to Manna on September 11, 2026, to be taken care of temporally. Victim has attempted to get kittens on multiple occasions. Victim was able to provide Officer Killion with text/snap message in which arrangements were made to get the kittens from Manna on September 23, October 26, October 31, and now November 10. Victim indicated that Manna had two of her kittens, a female, a male and a black wire kennel crate.

Officer Killion observed the messages exchanged and it appears that Manna sets dates and times to deliver the kittens and then does not show up, changes her mind, and post pones due to attachment. Victim has attempted to accommodate Manna offering to come to her instead of her coming to Victim. Victim has been in contact with Manna the entire time since leaving the kittens with Manna in September. Officer Killion attempted to contact Manna but was unable to.

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

Robert R. Prescher
Chief of Police
100 East Robinson Street
Lake Crystal, MN 56055
Badge: 4671

Electronically Signed:
11/18/2026 02:36 PM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Benjamin J Dolan
Assistant County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
11/18/2026 10:22 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).

[X] 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: November 19, 2026.

Judicial Officer Allison L Krehbiel
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 11/19/2026 09:16 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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Mary Beth Manna

Defendant

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Summons upon the Defendant herein named.

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: