

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070113942
Court File No. 07-CR-26-3239

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JORDAN JOVANI MENDEZ DOB: 06/25/2002

636 Blue Earth Street
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: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon-Substantial Bodily Harm

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.2, with reference to: 609.11.4

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 08/06/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26024815

Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez, did assault another with a dangerous weapon and inflicted substantial bodily harm.

COUNT II

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1, with reference to: 609.11.4

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 08/06/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26024815

Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez, did assault another with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT III

Charge: Assault-3rd Degree-Substantial Bodily Harm

Minnesota Statute: 609.223.1, with reference to: 609.11.4

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 08/06/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26024815

Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez did assault another, and inflicted substantial bodily harm,

COUNT IV

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): 08/06/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26024815

Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez did and intentionally interrupt, disrupt, impede, or interfere with an emergency call or intentionally prevent or hinder another from placing an emergency call.

COUNT V

Charge: Domestic Assault-Misdemeanor-Intentionally Inflicts/Attempts to Inflict Bodily Harm on Another

Minnesota Statute: 609.2242.1(2)

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

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/06/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26024815

Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez, did, against a family or household member, as defined in M.S.A. 518B.01 Subd. 2, intentionally inflict or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another.

COUNT VI

Charge: Domestic Abuse No Contact Order - Violate No Contact Order - Misdemeanor

Minnesota Statute: 629.75.2(b)

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

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/06/2026

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Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez did violate a Domestic Abuse No-Contact Order and the respondent or person to be restrained knew of the existence of the order.

COUNT VII

Charge: Traffic - DWI - Refuse to submit to chemical test; Breath or test refusal or failure

Minnesota Statute: 169A.20.2(1), with reference to: 169A.26.2

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

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/06/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26024815

Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez, did, drive, operate, or was in physical control of any motor vehicle and the Defendant refused to submit to a chemical test of the person's breath upon the request of a peace officer who had probable cause to believe the person to be tested was under the influence.

COUNT VIII

Charge: Traffic - DWI - Operate Motor Vehicle Under Influence of Alcohol

Minnesota Statute: 169A.20.1(1), with reference to: 169A.27.2

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

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/06/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26024815

Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez, did, drive, operate, or was in physical control of any motor vehicle when he/she was under the influence of alcohol.

COUNT IX

Charge: Obstruct Legal Process-Interfere w/Peace Officer

Minnesota Statute: 609.50.1(2), with reference to: 609.50.2(3)

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

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/06/2026

Control #(ICR#): 26024815

Charge Description: On or about August 6, 2026, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jordan Jovani Mendez, did obstruct, resist, or interfere with a peace officer while the officer is engaged in the performance of official duties.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On May 6, 2026, a judge issued a domestic abuse no contact order that prohibited Jordan Jovani Mendez, dob 6/25/2002, from have any contact with Victim 1. The order was still in effect on August 7, 2026.

On August 7, 2026, at around 3:36 AM, Blue Earth County Dispatch received a 911 call from Victim 1. Victim 1 stated that she left her house and was at a fast-food restaurant. Victim 1 stated she had a domestic abuse no contact order with Mendez. Victim 1 stated Mendez was drunk and hit her with a tequila bottle. Victim 1 also said Mendez took her phone.

Officers arrived at the fast-food restaurant and located Victim 1 in a vehicle with children. Victim 1 was visibly shaken and emotional. Victim 1 immediately stated that Mendez had just driven by on Riverfront Drive.

A short time later Victim 1 started alerting officers that Mendez was driving near them. Mendez quickly entered the parking lot and eventually stopped the vehicle. Officers made contact with Mendez and immediately smelt an overwhelming order of alcohol coming from Mendez. Mendez also had slurred speech. Mendez was arrested.

Mendez refused to listen to officers and actively obstructed by not listening to commands to sit in the back of a vehicle. Mendez was planting his feet and pushing his weight against officers to stop them. Eventually, officers were able to get Mendez into the vehicle.

Officer Wright spoke with Victim 1. Victim 1 stated that she and Mendez began talking again because they had shared custody of their newborn son. Mendez came home drunk around 11 PM which progressed into an argument. Mendez left the residence but later returned around 2:30 AM. Victim 1 stated she had locked both the front and back door, but Mendez made his way in through the side door. Victim 1 stated she found Mendez in her kitchen holding a tequila bottle. Mendez began screaming at Victim 1. Victim 1 stated that Mendez grabbed the tequila bottle and kept coming closer to Victim 1. Victim 1 stated she contacted Mendez's father in an effort to come pick up Mendez. Victim 1 stated that Mendez's father wasn't coming fast enough so she tried to call 911. However, Victim 1 was only able to dial "9" and "1" and then Mendez hit her with a bottle of tequila two or three times in the kitchen. Victim 1 stated the strike broke her tooth. Mendez also took her phone.

Victim 1 stated that the fight made its way into the living room where Mendez struck her an additional 2 to 3 times with a closed fist to her face. Victim 1 stated her children were present and she moved them to her vehicle. Victim 1 was able to leave the residence with her children and go to the fast-food restaurant.

Officer Wright observed red marks on Victim 1's cheek and Victim 1 had a broken tooth.

Officers went to the original incident location and located the tequila bottle to be placed in evidence.

Meanwhile, Mendez was transported to the Blue Earth County jail. On the way to the jail, Mendez would not stop asking questions and talking. Mendez stated he knew there was a DANCO but Victim 1 kept telling him to stay around.

Mendez told Officer Wagner that his attorney told him that because there was a DANCO Victim 1 could not contact him. Officer Wagner confirmed that the only DANCO lists Victim 1 as the protected party and Mendez as the defendant. Officer Wagner told Mendez that there is no order that prohibits Victim 1's conduct. Mendez argued with Officer Wagner that the DANCO means neither one can contact the other

and Officer Wagner was stupid, privileged, entitled, oblivious, and ignorant for not knowing that.

When they arrived at the jail, Mendez refused to step out of the vehicle. Mendez refused to complete field sobriety tests or take a preliminary breath test. Officers attempted to read Mendez the breath test advisory but Mendez continuously interrupted officers, talked over officers, and asked officers to repeat themselves but then refused to let them speak or answer. At one point, Mendez asked to read the advisory himself, and officers allowed him to do so. Mendez then stated he did not understand but refused to tell officers what he did not understand. Officers attempted to go point by point through the advisory to ensure that Mendez understood. Mendez then began pretending he could not hear or understand officers by stating “huh,” “what,” or making statements of his own.

Mendez then began calling Officer Wagner “baby,” licking his lips, making kissing faces at Officer Wagner, and biting his lips provocatively towards Officer Wagner. Mendez continued to interrupt and talk over officers. Eventually, officers told Mendez that they are considering his conduct a test refusal.

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:
08/07/2026 03:19 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:
08/07/2026 02:47 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.

☐ *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: August 7, 2026.

Judicial Officer

Greg Anderson
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 08/07/2026 03:22 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.

Jordan Jovani Mendez

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: