

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

20-10918

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT

Summons

vs.

LAUREN PATRICIA PETERSON DOB: 05/17/1983


Defendant.

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: RIOT-3RD DEGREE-UNLAWFUL FORCE OR VIOLENCE

Minnesota Statute: 609.71.3

Maximum Sentence: 0-1 year and/or \$0-\$3,000

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/24/2020

Control #(ICR#): 20221081

Charge Description: ... with an assembly of three or more persons, disturb the public peace by an intentional act or threat of unlawful force or violence to person or property;

COUNT II

Charge: ASSAULT-5TH DEGREE-FEAR OF BODILY HARM OR DEATH

Minnesota Statute: 609.224.1(1)

Maximum Sentence: 0-90 days and/or \$0-\$1,000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/24/2020

Control #(ICR#): 20221081

Charge Description: ... commit an act with the intent to cause fear of immediate bodily harm or death in another, to-wit: R.M.B.;

COUNT III

Charge: ASSAULT-5TH DEG-INFLICT OR ATTEMPT BODILY HARM

Minnesota Statute: 609.224.1(2)

Maximum Sentence: 0-90 days and/or \$0-\$1,000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/24/2020

Control #(ICR#): 20221081

Charge Description: ... intentionally inflict or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another, to-wit: R.M.B.;

COUNT IV

Charge: DISORDERLY CONDUCT-OFFENSIVE/ABUSIVE/NOISY/OBSCENE

Minnesota Statute: 609.72.1(3)

Maximum Sentence: 0-90 days and/or \$0-\$1,000

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 08/24/2020

Control #(ICR#): 20221081

Charge Description: ... engage in any of the following conduct in a public or private place, including on a school bus, knowing, or having reasonable grounds to know, that it would, or would tend to, alarm, anger or disturb others, or provoke an assault or breach of the peace: engages in offensive, obscene, abusive, boisterous, or noisy conduct or in offensive, obscene, or abusive language tending reasonably to arouse alarm, anger, or resentment in others;

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

A woman named R.M.B. met with Minneapolis police officers and reported that on 8/24/20 at approx. 10:00 pm to 10:30 pm, she was near the intersection of 5th St. S. and 4th Ave. S. covering a protest there as a journalist when a group (3 or more) of protesters confronted her and demanded that she leave. As the group moved aggressively toward her, she started backing up because she was afraid of being attacked from behind. Several items were thrown at her, including water bottles. One woman in particular was yelling and screaming at her and at some point picked up a large orange traffic cone and struck her with it and used it to push her back. On the video taken by R.M.B. with her phone, which was retrieved after being thrown in a fountain by another member of the group, this woman also appears to strike R.M.B. with a large full water bottle. Subsequently, Complainant received a tip that the woman suspect's name is Lauren Peterson and she lives in St. Anthony. Using a DL photo and facebook photo of the suspect along with the video, Complainant was able to identify the woman suspect as Lauren Patricia Peterson, dob 5/17/83

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

Dean Christiansen
Sgt
350 S 5th St
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389
Badge: 1099

Electronically Signed:
09/23/2020 09:19 AM
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Mary Ellen Heng
Deputy City Attorney - Criminal
Division
350 S 5th St Room 210
Minneapolis, MN 55415
(612) 673-2010

Electronically Signed:
09/23/2020 09:05 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 on _____, _____ at _____ AM/PM before the above-named court at the address listed on the attached court summons 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: _____, _____.

Judicial Officer <judge name>

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

**COUNTY OF HENNEPIN
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

State of Minnesota

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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:

DEFENDANT FACT SHEET

Name: LAUREN PATRICIA PETERSON

DOB: 05/17/1983

Address: [REDACTED]

Alias Names/DOB:

SID:

Height:

Weight:

Eye Color:

Hair Color:

Gender:

Race:

Fingerprints Required per Statute: Yes

Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record: No

Driver's License #: [REDACTED] (MN)

Alcohol Concentration:

STATUTE AND OFFENSE GRID

Cnt Nbr	Statute Type	Offense Date(s)	Statute Nbrs and Descriptions	Offense Level	MOC	GOC	Controlling Agencies	Case Numbers
1	Charge	8/24/2020	609.71.3 Riot-3rd Degree-Unlawful Force or Violence	Gross Misdemeanor	N2010		MN0271100	20221081
2	Charge	8/24/2020	609.224.1(1) Assault-5th Degree-Fear of Bodily Harm or Death	Misdemeanor			MN0271100	20221081
3	Charge	8/24/2020	609.224.1(2) Assault-5th Deg-Inflict or Attempt Bodily Harm	Misdemeanor			MN0271100	20221081
4	Charge	8/24/2020	609.72.1(3) Disorderly Conduct - Offensive/Abusive/Boisterous/Noisy/Obscene	Misdemeanor			MN0271100	20221081