

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 21A02608
Court File No. 27-CR-21-5150

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SHANTAELLO LEON CHRISTIANSON DOB: 03/13/1990

1313 Logan Ave N
Minneapolis, MN 55411

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: Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1), with reference to: 609.11.5(a), 609.19.1, 609.11.9

Maximum Sentence: Forty years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 03/06/2021

Control #(ICR#): 21046976

Charge Description: That on or about March 6, 2021, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, SHANTAELLO LEON CHRISTIANSON, caused the death of I.W., a human being, with intent to effect the death of that person or another, but without premeditation, while using or possessing a firearm.

COUNT II

Charge: Riot-1st Degree-Death Results-Armed w/Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.71.1, with reference to: 609.71.1, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: Twenty years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 03/06/2021

Control #(ICR#): 21046976

Charge Description: That on or about March 6, 2021, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, SHANTAELLO LEON CHRISTIANSON assembled with two or more other persons who disturbed the public peace by intentionally acting or threatening to act with unlawful force or violence to person or property, resulting in the death of I.M., and SHANTAELLO LEON CHRISTIANSON was armed with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT III

Charge: Possess Ammo/Any Firearm - Conviction or Adjudicated Delinquent for Crime of Violence

Minnesota Statute: 624.713.1(2), with reference to: 609.11.5(b), 624.713.2(b)

Maximum Sentence: Fifteen years.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 03/06/2021

Control #(ICR#): 21046976

Charge Description: That on or about March 6, 2021, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, SHANTAELLO LEON CHRISTIANSON possessed ammunition or a firearm and SHANTAELLO LEON CHRISTIANSON has been convicted or adjudicated delinquent in this state or elsewhere of a crime of violence, Aggravated Robbery in the First Degree, on October 25, 2007, for which the sentence or court supervision expired on or after August 1, 1993.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

Complainant has investigated the facts and circumstances of this offense and believes the following establishes probable cause:

On or about March 6, 2021, officers with the Minneapolis Police Department were dispatched to George Floyd Square located at 38th Street and Chicago Avenue in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, on the report of a shooting in front of Cup Foods. Upon arrival, officers were informed that the adult male victim I.W. had been shot multiple times and was transported to the hospital by friends. Officers learned the victim was shot in the chest and hand and subsequently pronounced deceased at the hospital.

Officers spoke to several known witnesses. Witnesses told officers that a tan SUV was parked on 38th Street near the front of Cup Foods. Both the victim and SHANTAELO LEON CHRISTIANSON, Defendant herein, are both members of the Rolling 30's Bloods gang. There was an internal dispute between the gang members. Defendant drove the suspect vehicle to the area. Defendant was accompanied by an adult female and an adult male. The victim was standing in front of Cup Foods. The adult male exited the front passenger side door of the suspect vehicle, approached the victim and an argument ensued. Defendant then exited the driver side door of the suspect vehicle and shot the victim multiple times. Defendant then fled the scene with the adult female and adult male. Multiple individuals shot at the suspect vehicle as it fled the scene.

Officers reviewed video surveillance cameras in the area. The shooting was captured on video surveillance cameras in the area. Video surveillance footage captured Defendant on video exiting the driver side door of the suspect vehicle with a gun and firing multiple shots in the victim's direction. Defendant then gets back in the suspect vehicle and drives away from the scene with an adult female and adult male. Video surveillance footage confirms the witnesses account of what happened.

Officers were able to identify the owner of the suspect vehicle as witness K.C. K.C. is Defendant's wife and was identified as the adult female with Defendant during the shooting. Officers were also able to identify the adult male with Defendant and K.C.'s cousin.

Officers were able to locate the suspect vehicle parked in the parking lot of a hotel in Brooklyn Center. Officers observed Defendant and K.C. exit the hotel. Defendant was carrying a duffle bag. Both Defendant and K.C. were subsequently apprehended inside the suspect vehicle. Inside the suspect vehicle, officers recovered two firearms, a Glock 9mm and AR style rifle. The Glock 9mm was recovered inside the duffle bag Defendant was observed carrying.

In a post-Miranda statement, Defendant initially denied being present at the scene during the murder. Defendant was confronted with statements by witnesses and video surveillance footage. Defendant then admitted to driving the suspect vehicle to the scene with K.C. and her cousin. Officers confronted Defendant with the fact that he was caught on video exiting the driver side door and shooting the victim. Defendant just laughed. Defendant asked officers if witnesses were running their mouths. Officers asked Defendant if he planned to shoot and kill the victim. Defendant told officers they could look at the video. Defendant was asked about the firearms recovered from the suspect vehicle. Defendant admitted the two firearms belonged to him.

Defendant was previously convicted of a crime of violence and is prohibited from possessing a firearm.

On October 25, 2007, Defendant was convicted of Aggravated Robbery in the First Degree (27-CR-07-119616).

On August 31, 2009, Defendant was convicted of Fifth Degree Drug Possession (27-CR-09-27519).

On November 20, 2013, Defendant was convicted of Riot in the Second Degree (27-CR-12-30291).

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

Scott A Olson
Sergeant
350 S 5th St
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389
Badge: 5315

Electronically Signed:
03/15/2021 12:32 PM
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Dominick Mathews
300 S 6th St
Minneapolis, MN 55487
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:
03/15/2021 12:29 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: \$1,000,000.00

Conditions of Release: No Contact with Witnesses; No Possession of Weapons; Make All Appearances; Remain Law Abiding

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: March 15, 2021.

Judicial Officer

Luis Bartolomei
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 03/15/2021 12:38 PM

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

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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 Order of
Detention upon the Defendant herein named.*

Signature of Authorized Service Agent:

DEFENDANT FACT SHEET

Name: SHANTAELO LEON CHRISTIANSON
DOB: 03/13/1990
Address: 1313 Logan Ave N
Minneapolis, MN 55411

Alias Names/DOB: SHANTAELO LEON CHRISTIANSON DOB: 3/13/1990
Shantaelo Leon Christianson DOB: 3/13/1989

SID: MN07128755

Height:
Weight:
Eye Color:
Hair Color:

Gender: MALE
Race: Black
Fingerprints Required per Statute: Yes
Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record: Yes

Driver's License #:
SILS Person ID #: 617271
SILS Tracking No. 3218311
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	3/6/2021	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2012		MN0271100	21046976
	Modifier	3/6/2021	609.11.9 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment - Applicable Offenses	No-Level	H2012		MN0271100	21046976
	Penalty	3/6/2021	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2012		MN0271100	21046976
	Penalty	3/6/2021	609.11.5(a) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm Use or Possession	Felony	H2012		MN0271100	21046976
2	Charge	3/6/2021	609.71.1 Riot-1st Degree-Death Results-Armed w/Weapon	Felony	N101F	X	MN0271100	21046976
	Modifier	3/6/2021	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	N101F	X	MN0271100	21046976
	Modifier	3/6/2021	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	N101F	X	MN0271100	21046976
	Penalty	3/6/2021	609.71.1 Riot-1st Degree-Death Results-Armed w/Weapon	Felony	N101F	X	MN0271100	21046976
3	Charge	3/6/2021	624.713.1(2) Possess Ammo/Any Firearm - Conviction or Adjudicated Delinquent for Crime of Violence	Felony	W1600		MN0271100	21046976
	Penalty	3/6/2021	624.713.2(b) Possesses any type of firearm/ammo - Crime of Violence - ineligible under 624.713.1(2)	Felony	W1600		MN0271100	21046976
	Penalty	3/6/2021	609.11.5(b) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm-Felon Convicted Crime of Violence	Felony	W1600		MN0271100	21046976