

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No.
Court File No.

18A03358
27-CR-18-9540

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DEMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV DOB: 09/05/1984

1871 Silver Bell Road
Apt 314
Eagan, MN 55122

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: Identity Theft-Transfers/Possesses/Uses Identity of Other Person

Minnesota Statute: 609.527.2, with reference to: 609.527.3(5), 609.527.7

Maximum Sentence: 20 YEARS AND/OR \$100,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 07/31/2017

Control #(ICR#): 17041340

Charge Description: That on or about July 31, 2017-January 2, 2018, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, DEMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV, transferred, possessed, or used an identity that was not his own, with the intent to commit, aid, or abet an unlawful activity and the number of direct or indirect victims aggregated over a six month period were eight or more direct victims or a total loss of more than \$35,000.

COUNT II

Charge: Burglary-3rd Deg-Steal/Commit Felony or Gross Misd

Minnesota Statute: 609.582.3, with reference to: 609.582.3

Maximum Sentence: 5 YEARS AND/OR \$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/07/2017

Control #(ICR#): 17041340

Charge Description: That on or about 11/7/2017, in Minnetonka, Hennepin County, Minnesota, DEMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV, either directly or as an accomplice, entered a building without consent and with intent to steal or commit any felony or gross misdemeanor while in the building, or entered a building without consent and stole or committed a felony or gross misdemeanor while in the building.

COUNT III

Charge: Burglary-3rd Deg-Steal/Commit Felony or Gross Misd

Minnesota Statute: 609.582.3, with reference to: 609.582.3

Maximum Sentence: 5 YEARS AND/OR \$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/21/2017

Control #(ICR#): 17041340

Charge Description: That on or about 11/21/2017, in Eden Prairie Hennepin County, Minnesota, DEMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV, either directly or as an accomplice, entered a building without consent and with intent to steal or commit any felony or gross misdemeanor while in the building, or entered a building without consent and stole or committed a felony or gross misdemeanor while in the building.

COUNT IV

Charge: Theft-Take/Drive Motor Vehicle-No Owner Consent

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(17), with reference to: 609.52.3(3)(d)(v)

Maximum Sentence: 5 YEARS AND/OR \$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/21/2017

Control #(ICR#): 17041340

Charge Description: That on or about 11/21/2017, in Eden Prairie, Hennepin County, Minnesota, DEMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV took and/or drove a motor vehicle, a 2008 Ford Escape, without the consent of Victim 16, J.C.R., or the owner's authorized agent, and he knew or had reason to know that the owner or authorized agent did not give consent, and the property stolen is a motor vehicle.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

On January 2, 2018, Minneapolis Police responded to Target Center Lifetime Fitness, a gym, located at 600 1st Avenue North, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, on a reported burglary. Responding officers learned that a male, identified as DEMITIRY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV, Defendant herein, had been repeatedly entering Lifetime Fitness clubs around the Twin Cities metro area by misrepresenting himself to be an actual Lifetime Fitness member, identified as Victim 11, D.K. After fraudulently gaining access to the club, Defendant would proceed to break into lockers in the men's locker room and steal wallets, credit cards, cash, IDs, jewelry, car keys, etc. Lifetime Fitness staff was aware of this rash of thefts and knew Defendant's identity when he entered the gym on January 2, 2018. Responding officers located Defendant inside of Target Center Lifetime Fitness hiding in a bathroom. Defendant had a screwdriver on his person. He was placed under arrest.

Further investigation into the Lifetime Fitness thefts showed that from approximately July 31, 2017, thru January 2, 2018, Defendant had gained access to multiple health clubs and gyms in Hennepin, Anoka, Dakota, and Ramsey Counties, in order to steal property from patrons of the gyms. The affected locations include the following:

- YMCA, located at 13850 Portland Avenue South, Burnsville, Dakota County, Minnesota
- Lifetime Fitness, located at 3310 County Road 101, Minnetonka, Hennepin County, Minnesota
- Eagan Community Center, located at 1501 Central Parkway, Eagan, Dakota County, Minnesota
- The Marsh, located at 15000 Minnetonka Boulevard, Minnetonka, Hennepin County, Minnesota
- Lifetime Fitness Highland Park, located at 2145 Ford Parkway, St. Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota
- Lifetime Fitness, located at 1200 East Moore Lake Drive, Fridley, Anoka County, Minnesota
- Lifetime Fitness, located at 6233 Baker Road, Eden Prairie, Hennepin County, Minnesota
- Eden Prairie Community Center, located at 16700 Valley View Road, Eden Prairie, Hennepin County, Minnesota
- LA Fitness, located at 3555 Highway 100, St. Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota.

Through a multi-jurisdictional investigation, headed by investigators with Eden Prairie Police, officers identified the following victims and incidents:

- On July 31, 2017, Victim 1, S.M.B., reported to Burnsville Police that her locker at the YMCA was broken into while she was at the gym. She stated that missing from her locker was her LA Fitness membership card and her car keys. Her vehicle, a 2010 Honda Accord, Minnesota license plate 930UTW, had been parked at the YMCA. When she looked for it in the parking lot, it was gone.
- On July 31, 2017, Victim 2, J.M.F., reported to Burnsville Police that his locker at the YMCA was broken into while at the gym. He stated that credit cards and \$200.00 cash were missing from his locker.

- On September 21, 2017, Victim 3, J.D.H., reported to Minnetonka Police that his locker at the Minnetonka Lifetime Fitness was pried open and his belongings had been disturbed. He was missing \$350.00 in cash.
- On September 21, 2017, Victim 4, D.A.A., reported to Minnetonka Police that his locker at Minnetonka Lifetime Fitness was pried open and his belongings had been disturbed. He was missing \$80.00 in cash.
- On October 2, 2017, Victim 5, S.C.H., reported to Eagan Police that his locker at the Eagan Community Center had been broken into and that \$140.00 in cash was stolen.
- On October 21, 2017, Victim 6, D.W.O., reported to Eagan Police that his locker at the Eagan Community Center had been broken into and that he was missing \$203.00 cash and multiple credit cards along with his Minnesota driver's license. D.W.O. further reported that one of his credit cards was used at Super America to make fraudulent charges that same day.
- On October 21, 2017, Victim 7, D.J.R., reported to Eagan Police that his locker at the Eagan Community Center had also been broken into and he was missing his wallet – including his driver's license, multiple credit cards, blank checks drawn on his US Bank account, and \$20.00 cash. D.J.R. stated he was also missing his wristwatch.
- On October 21, 2017, Victim 8, M.K., reported to Eagan Police that his locker at the Eagan Community Center had also been broken into and he was missing his wallet. From the wallet, M.K. reported missing his driver's license, multiple credit cards and debit cards, and his insurance ID cards. M.K. also stated that his employee ID badge from his job was also missing.
- On October 29, 2017, Victim 9, C.E.T., reported to Minnetonka Police that his locker at The Marsh was broken into and he was missing his wallet – including his driver's license and multiple credit and debit cards. Employees at The Marsh were aware that there had been multiple thefts from fitness clubs in the area and stated they were aware that Defendant was identified as a suspect. Employees stated they believed they saw Defendant in the area at the time of the theft.
- On October 29, 2017, Victim 10, K.O.A.G., reported to Minnetonka Police that his locker at The Marsh was broken into and he was missing his wallet which contained his driver's license, insurance card, multiple credit and debit cards, and \$80.00 cash. K.O.A.G. also reported that his wristwatch and Cartier wedding ring were missing. K.O.A.G. reported his credit card was subsequently fraudulently used to make online purchases.
- On October 31, 2017, Victim 11, D.K., reported to St. Paul Police, and subsequently to Eden Prairie Police, that his locker at Lifetime Fitness in Highland Park, St. Paul, had been broken into. His wallet was missing. It contained his driver's license, permanent resident ID card, multiple credit and debit cards, miscellaneous gift cards, his insurance cards, \$2.00 cash, and his Costco card. D.K. also reported his gold wedding ring was missing. D.K. is a member of Lifetime Fitness. As a Lifetime Fitness member, he is entitled to access multiple Lifetime Fitness health clubs around the metro area. D.K. reported that his credit cards were fraudulently used at fast food restaurants and gas stations in Eagan and Bloomington, Minnesota.
- On November 6, 2017, Victim 12, C.D.H., reported to Fridley Police that his locker at Lifetime Fitness Fridley was broken into. C.D.H. reported his wallet – containing his driver's license, and multiple credit cards was stolen. Additionally, C.D.H. is a Minneapolis Police officer. His official police ID was also stolen. Fridley Police investigators noted that multiple Lifetime Fitness patrons reported theft from Fridley on this

day, but did not wish to file a police report.

- On November 7, 2017, Victim 13, R.A.W., reported to Minnetonka Police that his locker at Lifetime Fitness Minnetonka was broken into and his wallet, containing his driver's license, multiple credit/debit cards, and \$250.00 cash was stolen. R.A.W. also reported that his wristwatch was missing. The wristwatch is a Rolex and was valued at \$11,900.00.
- On November 7, 2017, Victim 14, M.E.P., reported to Minnetonka Police that his locker at Lifetime Fitness Minnetonka was also broken into and his wallet – containing his driver's license, credit/debit cards, and \$260.00 cash was taken from his locker.
- On November 7, 2017, Victim 15, S.R.K., reported to Minnetonka Police that his locker at Lifetime Fitness Minnetonka was also broken into and his driver's license, credit cards, and insurance cards were missing. He was also missing \$60.00 cash. Victims 13, 14, and 15 all reported their lockers broken into from the same Lifetime Fitness on the same day. That same day, Minnetonka Police noted that in fact seven men's lockers had been tampered with but only Victims 13, 14, and 15 reported missing property.
- On November 21, 2017, Victim 16, J.C.R., reported to Eden Prairie Police that his locker at Lifetime Fitness Eden Prairie was broken into and his wallet – containing his driver's license and multiple credit cards was stolen. J.C.R. also reported that his car keys and his vehicle, a 2008 Ford Escape, Minnesota license plate 943NHV, was missing from the parking lot. J.C.R.'s credit cards were subsequently fraudulently used to make multiple fast food purchases. The Ford Escape was later recovered in Eden Prairie. Defendant did not have J.C.R.'s permission to take or drive the vehicle.
- On November 21, 2017, Victim 17, M.J.H., reported to Eden Prairie Police that his locker at Lifetime Fitness Eden Prairie was broken into and his wallet – containing his driver's license, credit cards, checks drawn on his back account, and a \$130.00 Visa gift card, was missing.
- On November 22, 2017, Victim 18, E.J.L., reported to Eden Prairie Police that her locker at the Eden Prairie Community Center was broken into and multiple items were stolen. E.J.L. reported that her cell phone, driver's license, multiple debit/credit cards, her health savings account card, her Metro Transit card, and \$38.00 cash was missing. E.J.L. subsequently reported that her credit cards had been fraudulently used at local fast food restaurants and gas stations.
- On December 3, 2017, Victim 19, C.K.F., reported to St. Louis Park Police that his wallet and car keys were missing from his locker at the LA Fitness center in St. Louis Park. The wallet contained C.K.F.'s ID, and two credit cards. One of C.K.F.'s credit cards was fraudulently used shortly thereafter at restaurant located in St. Louis Park for \$155.00. Employees at the restaurant identified Defendant as the person who used C.K.F.'s credit card during a photo line-up.

Access to the YMCA, The Marsh, LA Fitness, and all Lifetime Fitness facilities is on a member only basis. Patrons are required to be a member or admitted via guest pass to be allowed inside the facility. During the investigation of the above cases, Lifetime Fitness and investigators learned that Victim 11, D.K.'s, Lifetime Fitness membership was fraudulently used to access various clubs without D.K.'s consent. Records and surveillance video show Defendant using D.K.'s identity to access Lifetime on November 6, November 7, November 9, and November 21, 2017. On November 7 and 21, D.K.'s identity was used to fraudulently gain access to clubs in Hennepin County, Minnesota.

Defendant has been tied to the above incidents in various different ways including through the use of surveillance video, records, employee identification, and common vehicles that are traced back to known associates of Defendant. Defendant was ultimately arrested during a theft in progress at Lifetime Fitness

Target Center in January 2018. That cases is currently pending under MNCIS 27-CR-18-3198. Additionally, during a mirandized statement to investigators, Defendant took partial responsibility for the incidents and fully admitted to taking Victim 16, J.C.R.'s, vehicle from the parking lot on November 21, 2017.

Defendant is not currently in custody.

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

Matt Mohn
Officer
8080 Mitchell Rd
Eden Prairie, MN 55344
Badge: 088

Electronically Signed:
04/12/2018 06:03 PM
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Allison Ethen
300 S 6th St
Minneapolis, MN 55487
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:
04/12/2018 03:48 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 on _____, _____ at _____ AM/PM before the above-named court at 300 S Sixth Street, Minneapolis, MN 55487 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 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: \$0.00

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: April 13, 2018.

Judicial Officer

Kathryn Quaintance
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 04/13/2018 09:48 AM

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

**COUNTY OF HENNEPIN
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

State of Minnesota

Plaintiff

vs.

DEMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV

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: DEMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV
DOB: 09/05/1984
Address: 1871 Silver Bell Road
Apt 314
Eagan, MN 55122

Alias Names/DOB: DEMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV DOB: 9/5/1984
Demitriy Aleksandrovi Sokolov DOB: 9/5/1984
DMITRIY ALEXSANDROVICH SOKOLOV DOB: 9/5/1984

SID:
Height:
Weight:
Eye Color:
Hair Color:
Gender: MALE
Race: White
Fingerprints Required per Statute: Yes
Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record: No
Driver's License #:
SILS Person ID #: 509458
SILS Tracking No. 3002180
Case Scheduling Information: Blocked to Judge Bransford 27-CR-18-3198 - Per Judge Bransford, please tag the first appearance on this case to Defendant's next appearance at 5/30/18 @ 9 am
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	7/31/2017	609.527.2 Identity Theft-Transfers/Possesses/Uses Identity of Other Person	Felony	U1730	N	MN0272600	17041340
	Modifier	7/31/2017	609.527.7 Identity Theft - Aggregation and Prosecution in One County	No-Level	U1730	N	MN0272600	17041340
	Penalty	7/31/2017	609.527.3(5) Identity Theft-Eight or More Direct Victims/Combined Loss Greater Than \$35,000 or Child Porn Related	Felony	U1730	N	MN0272600	17041340
2	Charge	11/7/2017	609.582.3 Burglary-3rd Deg-Steal/Commit Felony or Gross Misd	Felony	B3534		MN0272600	17041340
	Penalty	11/7/2017	609.582.3 Burglary-3rd Deg-Steal/Commit Felony or Gross Misd	Felony	B3534		MN0272600	17041340
3	Charge	11/21/2017	609.582.3 Burglary-3rd Deg-Steal/Commit Felony or Gross Misd	Felony	B3534		MN0272600	17041340
	Penalty	11/21/2017	609.582.3 Burglary-3rd Deg-Steal/Commit Felony or Gross Misd	Felony	B3534		MN0272600	17041340
4	Charge	11/21/2017	609.52.2(a)(17) Theft-Take/Drive Motor Vehicle-No Owner Consent	Felony	V0071		MN0272600	17041340
	Penalty	11/21/2017	609.52.3(3)(d)(v) Theft-Value \$1000 or Less-Motor Vehicle	Felony	V0071		MN0272600	17041340