

State of Minnesota  
County of Hennepin

District Court  
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 19A11511  
Court File No. 27-CR-19-23154

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**State of Minnesota,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**RICHARD EDWIN BULLOCK DOB: 02/18/1973**

5100 Colfax Ave N  
Minneapolis, MN 55430

Defendant.

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**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: 609.17.4(2), 609.19.1, 609.11.9

Maximum Sentence: HALF OF, 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 09/16/2019

Control #(ICR#): 19280555

Charge Description: That on or about 9/16/2019, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, RICHARD EDWIN BULLOCK, attempted to cause the death of Victim 1 a human being, with intent to effect the death of that person or another, but without premeditation.

**COUNT II**

**Charge: Assault-1st Degree-Great Bodily Harm**

Minnesota Statute: 609.221.1, with reference to: 609.221.1, 609.101.2

Maximum Sentence: 20 YEARS AND/OR \$30,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 09/16/2019

Control #(ICR#): 19280555

Charge Description: That on or about 9/16/2019, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, RICHARD EDWIN BULLOCK, assaulted Victim 1 and inflicted great bodily harm.

**COUNT III**

**Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon**

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1, with reference to: 609.222.1, 609.11.5(a), 609.101.2

Maximum Sentence: 7 YEARS AND/OR \$4,200-\$14,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 09/16/2019

Control #(ICR#): 19280555

Charge Description: That on or about 9/16/2019, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, RICHARD EDWIN BULLOCK, assaulted Victim 2, while possessing a firearm.

Minimum Sentence: 3 YEARS

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

On September 16, 2019, officers responded to North Memorial Hospital on report of Victim 1, an identified adult female, who had been lit on fire in the city of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota. Responding officers observed Victim 1 was severely burned over a large part of her body and also had injuries consistent with a physical assault.

Through the course of their investigation, officers learned that Victim 2 had observed the attack on Victim 1. On September 16, 2019, Victim 1 and her boyfriend, RICHARD EDWIN BULLOCK, DOB: 2/18/1973, Defendant herein, were inside of an RV which was parked near 5100 Colfax Avenue North, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota. Between 3:00-4:00 a.m., Victim 2 was inside of 5100 Colfax Avenue North when she heard arguing from inside of the RV. Victim 2 approached the RV and reported Victim 1 looked scared and as if she wanted Victim 2 to enter the RV. Victim 2 entered the RV and observed Victim 1 and Defendant seated at a table. Defendant and Victim 1 were drinking.

All of a sudden Defendant jumped up and said to Victim 1, "Bitch I told you about disrespecting me." Defendant then punched Victim 1 several times in her face. Defendant then grabbed Victim 1 by the throat and strangled her. Defendant told Victim 1 while he was strangling her, "You feel that bitch, that's your life leaving your body." Defendant strangled Victim 1 four times to the point that she would go unconscious. When Victim 1 would quit moving, Defendant would let go, Victim 1 would start breathing and Defendant would strangle Victim 1 again. Defendant then grabbed a metal object and hit Victim 1 in her head and body. During the assault, Victim 1 and Victim 2 were pleading with Defendant to stop. Defendant then told Victim 1 he was going to set her on fire. Defendant grabbed a bottle of rubbing alcohol and doused Victim 1 with it. Defendant then struck his lighter and Victim 1's body was engulfed in flames. Defendant dumped water on Victim 1 and took Victim 1's clothes off in an attempt to put out the flames.

Victim 1 was able to flee from the RV and drive herself to North Memorial Hospital. When Victim 1 arrived at North Memorial she emerged from the driver's seat completely nude and her body and hair still smoldering. Victim 1 stated, "Please help me someone lit me on fire." Victim 1 is currently hospitalized in a medically induced coma, and is being treated for multiple second and third degree burns.

After Victim 1 left, Victim 2 went inside 5100 Colfax Avenue North and Defendant followed. Defendant and told Victim 2, "Cross me and you can get the same." Defendant then pointed a pink handgun at Victim 2's head and threatened to kill Victim 2 and her family. Defendant told Victim 2, "You're a witness, you will not make it to trial to testify against me." Defendant then got on his phone and made arrangements to get picked up. Defendant left the residence.

Officers from the Minneapolis Violent Criminal Apprehension Team located Defendant exiting 5413 Logan Avenue North. Officers moved in to arrest Defendant and he took off running through the backyard. Defendant was apprehended and placed under arrest. Arresting officers observed burns and blisters on Defendant's hands.

Officers executed a search warrant at 5413 Logan Avenue North and located a pink handgun and property belonging to Defendant.

This investigation is ongoing.

Defendant is 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**

Robert Dale  
Sergeant  
350 S 5th St  
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389  
Badge: 1414

Electronically Signed:  
09/18/2019 11:38 AM  
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

Jacqueline Bailey  
300 S 6th St  
Minneapolis, MN 55487  
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:  
09/18/2019 11:15 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.

*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: \$750,000.00

Conditions of Release: No Contact with Victim; No Possession of Weapons

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: September 18, 2019.

**Judicial Officer**

Mary R. Vasaly  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 09/18/2019 11:48 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.

**RICHARD EDWIN BULLOCK**

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:** RICHARD EDWIN BULLOCK  
**DOB:** 02/18/1973  
**Address:** 5100 Colfax Ave N  
Minneapolis, MN 55430

**Alias Names/DOB:**

**SID:** MN95008603

**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 #:** 226440

**SILS Tracking No.** 3127711

**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	9/16/2019	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2001	A	MN0271100	19280555
	Modifier	9/16/2019	609.11.9 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment - Applicable Offenses	No-Level	H2001	A	MN0271100	19280555
	Penalty	9/16/2019	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2001	A	MN0271100	19280555
	Penalty	9/16/2019	609.17.4(2) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-1/2 Of Intended	Felony	H2001	A	MN0271100	19280555
2	Charge	9/16/2019	609.221.1 Assault-1st Degree-Great Bodily Harm	Felony	A1141		MN0271100	19280555
	Definition	9/16/2019	609.101.2 Minimum Fines – Victim Assistance Programs	No-Level	A1141		MN0271100	19280555
	Penalty	9/16/2019	609.221.1 Assault-1st Degree-Great Bodily Harm	Felony	A1141		MN0271100	19280555
3	Charge	9/16/2019	609.222.1 Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon	Felony	A2422		MN0271100	19280555
	Definition	9/16/2019	609.101.2 Minimum Fines – Victim Assistance Programs	No-Level	A2422		MN0271100	19280555
	Penalty	9/16/2019	609.11.5(a) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm Use or Possession	Felony	A2422		MN0271100	19280555
	Penalty	9/16/2019	609.222.1 Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon	Felony	A2422		MN0271100	19280555