

State of Minnesota  
County of Hennepin

District Court  
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 19A06145  
Court File No. 27-CR-19-12374

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**State of Minnesota,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**SHERMEIKA NACOLE FRANKLIN DOB: 02/18/1980**

1010 CURRIE AVE  
Minneapolis, MN 55430

Defendant.

**COMPLAINT**

Order of Detention

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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: 609.19.1, 609.11.9

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 05/25/2019

Control #(ICR#): 19148514

Charge Description: That on or about May 25, 2019, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, SHERMEIKA NACOLE FRANKLIN, caused the death of victim, a human being, with intent to effect the death of that person or another, but without premeditation.

**COUNT II**

**Charge: Murder - 2nd Degree - Without Intent - While Committing a Felony**

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.2(1), with reference to: 609.19.2(1), 609.11.4, 609.11.9

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 05/25/2019

Control #(ICR#): 19148514

Charge Description: That on or about May 25, 2019, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, SHERMEIKA NACOLE FRANKLIN, did without intent to effect the death of any person, cause the death of victim, a human being, while committing or attempting to commit the felony offense of second degree assault while using a dangerous weapon.

Minimum Sentence: 1 YEAR AND 1 DAY

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

On May 25, 2019, officers responded to 810 Hennepin Avenue South, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, on report of a stabbing. Upon arrival, officers found a woman, Victim, lying on the ground in the parking lot surrounded by several onlookers. Two people were applying pressure with a white t-shirt to Victim's upper left chest area. Officers removed the t-shirt and observed a single one-inch stab wound to her chest. The Victim was unconscious.

EMS transported Victim to the Hennepin County Medical Center. Officers assisted with life saving measures. Victim never regained consciousness and was pronounced deceased at 10:27 p.m. The Hennepin County Medical Examiner ruled the Victim's cause of death as a stab wound to the chest, and the manner of death as homicide.

Officers spoke with witness 1, who stated that she was with the Victim across the street from the Hawthorne Ramp when several other people arrived. Witness 1 stated that she had her back turned to Victim for about 2 to 3 minutes when she noticed the Victim fall to the ground. Witness 1 stated she initially thought the victim tripped and fell but then saw she was bleeding from her chest.

Officers received a call from Witness 2, who stated that SHERMEIKA NACOLE FRANKLIN (Defendant) called her and admitted she stabbed the Victim in the chest. Witness 2 described Defendant as a black female, approximately 4'9" tall. Witness 2 stated that Defendant carries a large purse. Witness 2 told officers that Defendant was currently a friend's apartment on Hawthorne Avenue.

Officers reviewed surveillance from a nearby bar. The description from Witness 2 was consistent with the individual on surveillance getting into an argument with the Victim. Both Victim and Defendant and circling one another for a brief period. The Victim staggers away before falling to the ground. Defendant quickly leaves the area.

Officers contacted Witness 1 and administered a photo lineup. Witness 1 identified Defendant from the group of six photographs.

Officers went to the address provided by Witness 2 and arrested Defendant. In a post-Miranda interview, Defendant stated that the victim was bothering her all day. Defendant stated that Victim punched her in the chin. Defendant admitted to pulling out a knife and stabbing the Victim once in the chest. Defendant stated that she left the area and went to a nearby Pizza Hut where she broke the knife and threw it away.

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**

Marcus Benner  
Sergeant  
350 S 5th St  
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389  
Badge: 000404

Electronically Signed:  
05/29/2019 10:39 AM  
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

Scott E. Haldeman  
Assistant County Attorney  
300 S 6th St  
Minneapolis, MN 55487  
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:  
05/29/2019 10:16 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: \$1,000,000.00  
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: May 29, 2019.

**Judicial Officer** Fred Karasov  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 05/29/2019 11:07 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.

**SHERMEIKA NACOLE FRANKLIN**

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:** SHERMEIKA NACOLE FRANKLIN  
**DOB:** 02/18/1980  
**Address:** 1010 CURRIE AVE  
Minneapolis, MN 55430

**Alias Names/DOB:**

**SID:** MN15J20268

**Height:**

**Weight:**

**Eye Color:**

**Hair Color:**

**Gender:** FEMALE

**Race:** Black

**Fingerprints Required per Statute:** Yes

**Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record:** Yes

**Driver's License #:**

**SILS Person ID #:** 779511

**SILS Tracking No.** 3103308

**Alcohol Concentration:**

## STATUTE AND OFFENSE GRID

<b>Cnt Nbr</b>	<b>Statute Type</b>	<b>Offense Date(s)</b>	<b>Statute Nbrs and Descriptions</b>	<b>Offense Level</b>	<b>MOC</b>	<b>GOC</b>	<b>Controlling Agencies</b>	<b>Case Numbers</b>
1	Charge	5/25/2019	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2032		MN0271100	19148514
	Modifier	5/25/2019	609.11.9 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment - Applicable Offenses	No-Level	H2032		MN0271100	19148514
	Penalty	5/25/2019	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2032		MN0271100	19148514
2	Charge	5/25/2019	609.19.2(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - Without Intent - While Committing a Felony	Felony	H2832		MN0271100	19148514
	Modifier	5/25/2019	609.11.9 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment - Applicable Offenses	No-Level	H2832		MN0271100	19148514
	Penalty	5/25/2019	609.11.4 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Use Dangerous Weapon	Felony	H2832		MN0271100	19148514
	Penalty	5/25/2019	609.19.2(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - Without Intent - While Committing a Felony	Felony	H2832		MN0271100	19148514