

State of Minnesota  
County of Hennepin

District Court  
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 20A14232  
Court File No. 27-CR-20-26590

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**State of Minnesota,**  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

**COMPLAINT**  
Order of Detention  
 Amended

**TYRICE DEPAUL LAWS DOB: 06/23/1982**  
5540 N Regent Avenue  
Crystal, MN 55429  
Defendant.

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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 - 1st Degree - Peace Officer, Prosecuting Attorney, Judge or Prison Guard**

Minnesota Statute: 609.185(a)(4), with reference to: 609.11.5(a), 609.17.4(1), 609.185

Maximum Sentence: 20 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/11/2020

Control #(ICR#): 20200863

Charge Description: That on or about 12/11/2020, in Brooklyn Park, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, TYRICE DEPAUL LAW, aka TYRICE DEPAUL LAWS, attempted to cause the death of Victim B, a peace officer, with intent to effect the death of Victim B or another, while the peace officer was engaged in the performance of official duties, while using a firearm.

Minimum Sentence: 3 YEARS

**COUNT II**

**Charge: Assault-1st Degree-Use of deadly force against peace officer/prosecutor/judge or correction employee**

Minnesota Statute: 609.221.2(a), with reference to: 609.11.5, 609.101.2, 609.221.2(a), 609.221.2(b)

Maximum Sentence: 20 YEARS AND/OR \$30,000, WITH NO SUPERVISED RELEASE

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/11/2020

Control #(ICR#): 20200863

Charge Description: That on or about 12/11/2020, in Brooklyn Park, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, TYRICE DEPAUL LAW, aka TYRICE DEPAUL LAWS, while using a dangerous weapon assaulted Victim

B, a peace officer, by using or attempting to use deadly force against the officer, while Victim B was engaged in the performance of his or her duties imposed by law, policy or rule.

Minimum Sentence: 10 YEARS

### COUNT III

**Charge: Domestic Abuse - Violate OFP while Possessing a Dangerous Weapon**

Minnesota Statute: 518B.01.14(d)(2)

Maximum Sentence: FIVE YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/11/2020

Control #(ICR#): 20200863

Charge Description: That on or about 12/11/2020, in Brooklyn Park, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, TYRICE DEPAUL LAW, aka TYRICE DEPAUL LAWS, violated an order for protection while possessing a dangerous weapon.

### COUNT IV

**Charge: Possess Ammo/Any Firearm - Subject to an Order for Protection under 260C.201.3(d) or 518B.01.6(g)**

Minnesota Statute: 624.713.1(13), with reference to: 624.713.2(c)

Maximum Sentence: 1 YEAR AND/OR \$3,000

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 12/11/2020

Control #(ICR#): 20200863

Charge Description: That on or about 12/11/2020, in Brooklyn Park, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, TYRICE DEPAUL LAW, aka TYRICE DEPAUL LAWS, possessed ammunition or a firearm and TYRICE DEPAUL LAW, aka TYRICE DEPAUL LAWS, is a person who is subject to an order for protection as described in section 260C.201, subd. 3(d), or section 518B.01, subd. 6(g), and his/her civil rights have not been restored.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

\*\*\*AMENDED COMPLAINT TO CORRECT DEFENDANT IDENTIFIERS AND SILS NUMBERS\*\*\*

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

On December 11, 2020, Victim A, a known adult female, observed, via her surveillance live stream video, a white Grand Prix bearing Minnesota license plate 807-RMM pull into the driveway of her residence located at 65XX Georgia Avenue North in Brooklyn Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota. Victim A then received a phone call from TYRICE DEPAUL LAWS, DOB 6/23/1982, Defendant, stating that he was at Victim A's residence and demanding to see the children that he shares in-common with Victim A. Victim A was not at her residence at the time nor were her children. Victim A contacted 911 to report that Defendant was at her residence in violation of an Order for Protection. Court records confirm that Victim A had obtained an Order for Protection against Defendant on November 12, 2019 under Court File No. 27-DA-FA-19-7511. The Order for Protection was personally served on Defendant and remains in effect until November 12, 2021. Defendant has previously been convicted of interference with a 911 Call on January 27, 2012 (Court File No. 62-CR-12-53) and faces pending charges for Domestic Assault and Interference with a 911 Call involving Victim A (Court File No. 27-CR-19-27930).

The Brooklyn Park Police Department received the 911 call for service and dispatched two squad cars to Victim A's residence. Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) agents reviewed both squad video and body worn camera footage associated with the response of the officers to the incident. The primary responding officer, Victim B, and the supporting officer, Witness 1, both arrived on scene in their respective squad cars. Victim B parked his squad car in front of Defendant's car and Witness 1 parked his squad car on the street facing toward Defendant's vehicle at an angle. Both squad cars had their emergency lights activated. Both officers exited their squad cars and approached Defendant's car – Victim B from the front on the driver's side and Witness 1 from the passenger side. Defendant was sitting in the driver's seat of his car. Both officers were dressed in full police uniform. Neither officer had drawn their service weapons.

As officers approached, Defendant got out of his car and stood in the driver's doorway. Defendant then bent down and reached into the vehicle once before standing back up. Shortly thereafter, Defendant reached down further and pulled out a handgun that he pointed at Victim B. Defendant raised the gun and pointed it directly at Victim B, discharging his firearm five or six times. As Defendant fired the first shot, he was within 5-7 feet of Victim B. Both officers return fire multiple times. Victim B fell to the ground. Defendant also retreated back towards the residence's garage and fled into the backyard.

Victim B informed his partner that he was hit. Victim B was taken to the hospital having suffered from a gunshot wound to the hip and buttock. Shortly after the shooting, Defendant was apprehended by law enforcement. He was transported to the Hennepin County Medical Center (HCMC) for treatment of his one gunshot wound to his left bicep.

Defendant was interviewed at HCMC. During the interview, Defendant claimed that he was sitting in her car when two people approached him from either side of his car with guns drawn. He further claimed that he got out of the car and started running, at which time both officers shot him. Defendant denied having or discharging a firearm. Defendant's claims were directly contradicted by body camera and squad video.

A search of the area was conducted shortly after the incident, and law enforcement officers identified a dismantled firearm located at 6400 Lakeland Avenue North in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota. A sweatshirt believed to belong to Defendant was found discarded at 6810 63rd Avenue in Brooklyn Park.

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**

James D. Reyerson  
Special Agent  
1430 Maryland Avenue E  
St. Paul, MN 55106  
Badge: 1385

Electronically Signed:  
12/14/2020 03:28 PM  
Ramsey County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

James Hanneman  
300 S 6th St  
Minneapolis, MN 55487  
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:  
12/14/2020 03:27 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 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: No Contact with Victim; No Contact with Address; No Contact with Witnesses; 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: December 14, 2020.

**Judicial Officer**

Luis Bartolomei  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 12/14/2020 03:37 PM

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

**COUNTY OF HENNEPIN  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**State of Minnesota**

Plaintiff

vs.

**Tyrice Depaul Laws**

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:** Tyrice Depaul Laws  
**DOB:** 06/23/1982  
**Address:** 5540 N Regent Avenue  
Crystal, MN 55429

**Alias Names/DOB:**

**SID:**

**Height:**

**Weight:**

**Eye Color:**

**Hair Color:**

**Gender:** MALE

**Race:** Black

**Fingerprints Required per Statute:** Yes

**Fingerprint match to Criminal History Record:** No

**Driver's License #:**

**SILS Person ID #:** 614171

**SILS Tracking No.** 3206045

**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	12/11/2020	609.185(a)(4) Murder - 1st Degree - Peace Officer, Prosecuting Attorney, Judge or Prison Guard	Felony	H1017	A	MNBCA0000	20200863
	Penalty	12/11/2020	609.185 Murder - 1st Degree	Felony	H1017	A	MNBCA0000	20200863
	Penalty	12/11/2020	609.17.4(1) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-20 Years if Life for Intended	Felony	H1017	A	MNBCA0000	20200863
	Penalty	12/11/2020	609.11.5(a) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm Use or Possession	Felony	H1017	A	MNBCA0000	20200863
2	Charge	12/11/2020	609.221.2(a) Assault-1st Degree-Use of deadly force against peace officer/prosecutor/judge or correction employee	Felony	A1327		MNBCA0000	20200863
	Penalty	12/11/2020	609.221.2(a) Assault-1st Degree-Use of deadly force against peace officer/prosecutor/judge or correction employee	Felony	A1327		MNBCA0000	20200863
	Penalty	12/11/2020	609.221.2(b) Assault-1st Degree-Use of deadly force - mandatory minimum - penalty	Felony	A1327		MNBCA0000	20200863
	Modifier	12/11/2020	609.11.5 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm	Felony	A1327		MNBCA0000	20200863
	Definition	12/11/2020	609.101.2 Minimum Fines – Victim Assistance Programs	No-Level	A1327		MNBCA0000	20200863
3	Charge	12/11/2020	518B.01.14(d)(2) Domestic Abuse - Violate OFP while Possessing a Dangerous Weapon	Felony	N137A		MNBCA0000	20200863
4	Charge	12/11/2020	624.713.1(13) Possess Ammo/Any Firearm - Subject to an Order for Protection under 260C.201.3(d) or 518B.01.6(g)	Gross Misdemeanor	W262Z		MNBCA0000	20200863
	Penalty	12/11/2020	624.713.2(c) Possesses any type of firearm/ammo - Violation of 624.713 subd. 1 other than clause (1) or (2)	Gross Misdemeanor	W262Z		MNBCA0000	20200863