

State of Minnesota  
County of Hennepin

District Court  
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 21A06054  
Court File No. 27-CR-21-11248

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**State of Minnesota,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**CHRISTOPHER DEWAYNE RICE DOB: 07/22/1974**

9512 Scott Cir N  
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

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: 609.19.1, 609.11.9

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/12/2021

Control #(ICR#): 21019565

Charge Description: That on or about 6/12/2021, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Christopher Dewayne Rice caused the death of 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)

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/12/2021

Control #(ICR#): 21019565

Charge Description: That on or about 6/12/2021, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Christopher Dewayne Rice, did without intent to effect the death of any person, cause the death of a human being, while committing or attempting to commit the felony offense of Assault in the Second Degree.

**COUNT III**

**Charge: Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene**

Minnesota Statute: 609.2112.1(a)(7), with reference to: 609.2112.1(a)

Maximum Sentence: 10 YEARS AND/OR \$20,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 06/12/2021

Control #(ICR#): 21019565

Charge Description: That on or about 6/12/2021, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Christopher Dewayne Rice did, by operating a motor vehicle, cause a collision that caused the death of another and Christopher Dewayne Rice left the scene of that collision.

## STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

On June 12, 2021, Brooklyn Park police officers were dispatched to a hit and run accident on Scott Circle North, in the City of Brooklyn Park, County of Hennepin, State of Minnesota. When officers arrived, they observed a known adult male ("victim") lying at the end of a residential driveway near the road. Victim was receiving CPR from a bystander and appeared to be unconscious. Victim was transported via ambulance to the hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Witnesses indicated that Victim was hit and run over by a black SUV, which fled the scene before officers arrived. Victim's husband, J.S.J, approached officers at the scene and told officers that prior to getting struck, victim went out to get the mail. J.S.J indicated that after victim was struck, he saw a black SUV fleeing the area.

Officers located the suspect vehicle just up the road from the crash scene. The vehicle was black Chevy Traverse with front end damage. The vehicle registered to an adult female witness, J.H., who lives in the area. As officers were gathering information, J.H. arrived at the scene and confirmed that the suspect vehicle was hers. J.H. advised that prior to the crash she was at her home and heard a commotion outside and realized that her vehicle was gone. J.H. indicated that only her and her live-in boyfriend, CHRISTOPHER DEWAYNE RICE (DOB: 7/22/1974), Defendant herein, have access to the vehicle. J.H. informed officers that Defendant would have been driving the vehicle at the time of the incident. J.H. then told officers Defendant was at her residence and escorted officers to her home. Defendant was located inside the residence. Officers observed Defendant's behavior was erratic. Defendant was mumbling to himself and incoherent. Defendant told officers he hears things and sees lights. Defendant then admitted to driving and hitting somebody. Defendant told officers he is controlled by a man and the man controlled him to hit the victim with his vehicle.

Defendant was placed under arrest and transported to jail where he was read an enhanced Miranda warning and provided a voluntary statement. Defendant indicated that he has Schizophrenia and Bi-polar disease. Defendant said he is prescribed medications but has not taken them for over a month. Defendant stated that while driving his vehicle, he saw a male at a mailbox. Defendant stated that the voices in his head told him that the person by the mailbox had done something bad to Defendant's mother. He stated that the voices told him to hit the victim with his car, which he did. Defendant stated that he did not know the victim personally, but that he had seen him around the neighborhood. After hitting the male, Defendant stated that he continued driving for a couple blocks and exited the car. He then walked home and laid down in bed.

Defendant has a documented history of mental health issues. In 2019, Defendant was civilly committed.

Defendant also has a pending case of Aggravated Robbery in the First Degree (27-CR-20-13929). In that case, Defendant was found incompetent to proceed to trial and is currently under civil commitment with a diagnosis of schizoaffective disorder, bipolar type, with catatonia.

Defendant is 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**

Dawn Orgon  
Detective  
5400 85th Ave N  
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443  
Badge: 75

Electronically Signed:  
06/16/2021 11:45 AM  
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

**Prosecuting Attorney**

Jacob Carl Fischmann  
300 S 6th St  
Minneapolis, MN 55487  
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:  
06/16/2021 10:57 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 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.

*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 Address; No Contact with Witnesses; Other: no driving

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: June 16, 2021.

**Judicial Officer**

Luis Bartolomei  
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 06/16/2021 11:51 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.

**Christopher Dewayne Rice**

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:** Christopher Dewayne Rice  
**DOB:** 07/22/1974  
**Address:** 9512 Scott Cir N  
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

**Alias Names/DOB:** Christopher Dwayne Rice DOB: 7/22/1974  
**SID:** MN20CF8402

**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 #:** 880932  
**SILS Tracking No.** 3230895  
**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	6/12/2021	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2043		MN0270300	21019565
	Modifier	6/12/2021	609.11.9 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment - Applicable Offenses	No-Level	H2043		MN0270300	21019565
	Penalty	6/12/2021	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2043		MN0270300	21019565
2	Charge	6/12/2021	609.19.2(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - Without Intent - While Committing a Felony	Felony	H2843		MN0270300	21019565
	Penalty	6/12/2021	609.19.2(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - Without Intent - While Committing a Felony	Felony	H2843		MN0270300	21019565
3	Charge	6/12/2021	609.2112.1(a)(7) Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Driver Who Causes Collision Leaves Scene	Felony	J1311		MN0270300	21019565
	Penalty	6/12/2021	609.2112.1(a) Criminal Vehicular Homicide - Penalty	Felony	J1311		MN0270300	21019565