

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 21A03176
Court File No. 27-CR-21-6048

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT
Order of Detention

vs.

CHAZ ERIC STUBBLEFIELD DOB: 02/19/1988

2707 15th Ave S
#2
Minneapolis, MN 55407

Defendant.

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: 609.11.5(a), 609.19.1, 609.11.9

Maximum Sentence: 40 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 03/24/2021

Control #(ICR#): 21061157

Charge Description: That on or about March 24, 2021, in Minneapolis in Hennepin County, Minnesota, CHAZ ERIC STUBBLEFIELD caused the death of R.D., a human being, with intent to effect the death of that person or another, but without premeditation, while using 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 March 24, 2021, at approximately 11:58 p.m., officers responded to a shooting at the Stop and Shop, 1700 E. Lake Street, in Minneapolis, Hennepin County. Upon arrival, officers observed the victim, R.D., laying on his back with a pool of blood under his head. R.D. had a gunshot wound to his right eye and did not have a pulse. Paramedics were on scene and immediately transported R.D. to Hennepin County Medical Center (HCMC) where he was pronounced dead.

Officers on scene spoke to Witness 1, who identified herself as a friend of R.D. Witness 1 was later interviewed by investigators. During that interview, Witness 1 said that R.D. had come from St. Cloud to help her move. They had stopped at the Stop and Shop so R.D. could get a pop, but the security guard was "being an ass" to R.D., so R.D. made his way around the line to go out the door. Witness 1 said that R.D. may have brushed by the shooter on the way out. The shooter, who was later identified as CHAZ ERIC STUBBLEFIELD, Defendant herein, then followed R.D. out of the store. R.D. was standing outside the passenger door of the car when the Defendant approached him. Witness 1 heard the Defendant say something "don't call me a n--ger." R.D. then told the Defendant that he did not call him that and the Defendant spit in R.D.'s face. Witness 1 said that she then heard a pop and felt the heat of the gun but was standing behind the Defendant and did not see the gun.

Surveillance video from the Stop and Shop shows the following:

- At 11:51:00 the Defendant makes a purchase at the store counter.
- At 11:52:28 the victim enters the store and is advised by security that he needs a mask. He immediately approaches the exit door and passes by the Defendant. The victim makes slight physical contact with the Defendant, who turns and punches the victim in the back. A verbal altercation ensues, and the Defendant follows the victim out to the parking lot and to the passenger side of the victim's vehicle.
- At 11:52:50 the Defendant confronts the victim as he is opening the passenger side door of his vehicle. The Defendant spits in the victim's face and the victim punches towards the Defendant. The Defendant then raises a handgun towards the victim's head and fires one time, shooting the victim in the head. The victim immediately falls to the ground and the Defendant leaves.

In a post-Miranda interview, the Defendant admitted to shooting R.D. According to the Defendant, R.D. bumped into him as he was getting ready to exit the store. The Defendant told R.D. "you can say excuse me" and R.D. responded and said "fuck you n—ger." Defendant told officers that he followed R.D. out and asked him what he just said. According to the Defendant, R.D. responded by saying it again. The Defendant also admitted that he tried to spit on R.D. but didn't have any spit in his mouth. The Defendant told officers that R.D. pushed him or touched him at that point and the Defendant then shot R.D. The Defendant further stated that the gun he used was a .40 caliber handgun and that he threw the gun in the river.

An autopsy was performed on R.D. by the Hennepin County Medical Examiner's Office. Results of the M.E.'s exam ruled the cause of R.D.'s death a gunshot wound to the head and manner of death a homicide.

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

Charles D Green IV
Sergeant-Criminal Investigation
Division
350 S 5th St
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1389
Badge: 2429

Electronically Signed:
03/26/2021 11:48 AM
Hennepin County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Krista White
300 S 6th St
Minneapolis, MN 55487
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:
03/26/2021 11:42 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.

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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: March 26, 2021.

Judicial Officer

William H Koch
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 03/26/2021 12:00 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.

Chaz Eric Stubblefield

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: Chaz Eric Stubblefield
DOB: 02/19/1988
Address: 2707 15th Ave S
#2
Minneapolis, MN 55407

Alias Names/DOB: CHAZ ERIC STUBBLEFIELD DOB: 2/18/1988
SID: MN07027240

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 #: 594401
SILS Tracking No. 3220445
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	3/24/2021	609.19.1(1) Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated	Felony	H2813		MN0271100	21061157
	Modifier	3/24/2021	609.11.9 Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment - Applicable Offenses	No-Level	H2813		MN0271100	21061157
	Penalty	3/24/2021	609.19.1 Murder - 2nd Degree	Felony	H2813		MN0271100	21061157
	Penalty	3/24/2021	609.11.5(a) Minimum Sentences of Imprisonment-Firearm Use or Possession	Felony	H2813		MN0271100	21061157