

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

District Court
4th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 22A00694
Court File No. 27-CR-22-1230

State of Minnesota,

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff,

Order of Detention

vs.

KASHAWN JASON WERTMAN DOB: 09/08/2003

1733 Maryland Ave E
St. Paul, MN 55106

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: Simple Robbery

Minnesota Statute: 609.24, with reference to: 609.24, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/09/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 9, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property, from the person or in the presence of Victim C, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against the victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property.

COUNT II

Charge: Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.1, with reference to: 609.245.1, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 20 YEARS AND/OR \$35,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/10/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 10, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property from the person or in the presence of Victim G, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against Victim G to overcome her

resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property, and inflicted bodily harm.

COUNT III

Charge: Simple Robbery

Minnesota Statute: 609.24, with reference to: 609.24, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/10/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 10, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property, from the person or in the presence of Victim G, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against the victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property.

COUNT IV

Charge: Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.2, with reference to: 609.245.2, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 15 YEARS AND/OR \$30,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 12, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property from the person or in the presence of Victim H, knowing that he was not entitled to the property, while implying, by word or act, possession of a dangerous weapon.

COUNT V

Charge: Simple Robbery

Minnesota Statute: 609.24, with reference to: 609.24, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 15, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property, from the person or in the presence of Victim H, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against the victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property.

COUNT VI

Charge: Simple Robbery

Minnesota Statute: 609.24, with reference to: 609.24, 609.17.4(2), 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 5 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 12, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another attempted to take personal property, from the person or in the presence of Victim I, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against the victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property.

COUNT VII

Charge: Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.1, with reference to: 609.245.1, 609.17.4(2), 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 10 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 12, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another attempted to take personal property from the person or in the presence of Victim J, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against Victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property, and inflicted bodily harm.

COUNT VIII

Charge: Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.2, with reference to: 609.245.2, 609.17.4(2), 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 7.5 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 12, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another attempted to take personal property from the person or in the presence of Victim J, knowing that he was not entitled to the property, while implying, by word or act, possession of a dangerous weapon.

COUNT IX

Charge: Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.1, with reference to: 609.245.1, 609.17.4(2), 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 10 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 12, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another attempted to take personal property from the person or in the presence of Victim K, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against Victim K to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property, and inflicted bodily harm.

COUNT X

Charge: Simple Robbery

Minnesota Statute: 609.24, with reference to: 609.24, 609.17.4(2), 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 5 YEARS

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 12, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another attempted to take personal property, from the person or in the presence of Victim K, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against the victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property.

COUNT XI

Charge: Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.1, with reference to: 609.245.1, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 20 YEARS AND/OR \$35,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2012

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 12, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property from the person or in the presence of Victim L, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against Victim L to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property, and inflicted bodily harm.

COUNT XII

Charge: Simple Robbery

Minnesota Statute: 609.24, with reference to: 609.24, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/12/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 12, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another

took personal property, from the person or in the presence of Victim L, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against the victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property.

COUNT XIII

Charge: Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.2, with reference to: 609.245.2, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 15 YEARS AND/OR \$30,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/15/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 15, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property from the person or in the presence of Victim M, knowing that he was not entitled to the property, while implying, by word or act, possession of a dangerous weapon.

COUNT XIV

Charge: Simple Robbery

Minnesota Statute: 609.24, with reference to: 609.24, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/15/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 15, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property, from the person or in the presence of Victim M, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against the victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property.

COUNT XV

Charge: Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree

Minnesota Statute: 609.245.1, with reference to: 609.245.1, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

Maximum Sentence: 20 YEARS AND/OR \$35,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/16/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 16, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property from the person or in the presence of Victim N, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against Victim N to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property, and inflicted bodily harm.

COUNT XVI

Charge: Simple Robbery

Minnesota Statute: 609.24, with reference to: 609.24, 609.05.1, 609.05.2

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

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/16/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 16, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling or conspiring with another took personal property, from the person or in the presence of Victim N, knowing that he was not entitled to the property and used and/or threatened the imminent use of force against the victim to overcome her resistance or powers of resistance to or to compel acquiescence in the taking or carrying away of the property.

COUNT XVII**Charge: Theft-Take/Use/Transfer Movable Prop-No Consent**

Minnesota Statute: 609.52.2(a)(1), with reference to: 609.05.1, 609.05.2, 609.52.3(3)(d)(i)

Maximum Sentence: 5 YEARS AND/OR \$10,000

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 01/17/2022

Control #(ICR#): 22000284

Charge Description: That on or about January 17, 2022, in Hennepin County, Minnesota, Kashawn Jason Wertman while acting alone or otherwise intentionally aiding, advising, hiring, counseling, or conspiring with another intentionally and without claim of right, took, used, transferred, concealed or retained possession of movable property belonging to Victim O without consent and with the intent to deprive the owner/entity permanently of possession of the property, and the property was taken from the person of another.

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STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

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

In January 2022, investigators with multiple police agencies in the Twin Cities area began investigating a string of carjackings, robberies, and thefts that were linked by time, video, modus operandi, and circumstance to two suspects – KASHAWN JASON WERTMAN, DEFENDANT WERTMAN herein, and NAUTICA ALAJA ARGUE, DEFENDANT ARGUE herein. These offenses occurred between January 7, 2022 and January 17, 2022 when the two were arrested after fleeing police in a stolen motor vehicle. The offenses impacted communities in Saint Louis Park, Plymouth, Richfield, Brooklyn Center, Minneapolis, Edina, White Bear lake, Roseville, Columbia Heights, Lakeville, Eagan, Little Canada, Burnsville, Woodbury, and Saint Paul. The investigation into these offenses is ongoing and additional charges are anticipated in Hennepin and nearby counties.

On January 7, 2022 at 12:10 p.m., Saint Louis Park Police officers responded to a theft of a motor vehicle from a driveway located on the 1400 block of Jersey Avenue in Saint Louis Park, Hennepin County Minnesota. Officers responded and spoke with Victim A, a known adult female. Victim A reported that she was warming her vehicle, a silver Toyota Rav 4, in her driveway and stepped back into her house momentarily. She stated that when she looked out of her window, she saw her vehicle being driven away down the street.

Shortly thereafter on January 7, 2022 at 1:30 p.m., White Bear Lake Police officers responded to a carjacking on the 1800 block of Birch Street in White Bear Lake, Ramsey County, Minnesota. Officers responded and spoke with Victim B, a known adult male. Victim B told officers that he was delivering food to a customer at this address. Victim B recounted that as he returned to his vehicle, an individual approached and pointed a gun at him through the individual's jacket. The individual then grabbed Victim B's keys and stole his white Jeep Grand Cherokee. A witness observed this incident and was able to provide the license plate of the vehicle that dropped the individual off in the area seconds before the robbery occurred. That vehicle was Victim A's stolen silver Toyota Rav 4. The witness also saw Victim A and Victim B's vehicles leave the area in tandem following the robbery. Victim B's white Jeep Grand Cherokee was used by Defendants in several robberies and carjackings on January 9, 2022

On January 9, 2022 at 6:29 a.m., Roseville Police officers located Victim A's stolen Toyota Rav 4 in the parking lot of a motel. Video from the hotel depicted two individuals getting out to the stolen vehicle, entering the hotel, and going to a room that was rented using Defendant Wertman's grandmother's credit card. A search of the Rav 4 revealed identifying stolen property from Victim B.

On January 9, 2022 at 3:35 p.m., Plymouth Police officers were dispatched to a middle school located on the 12000 block of Ridgemount Avenue in Plymouth, Hennepin County, Minnesota on the report of a carjacking. Officers responded and spoke with Victim C, a known adult female. Victim C told officers that she was at the school attending her child's basketball game when she went to her vehicle to retrieve a water bottle. As she walked back towards the school, Defendant Wertman approached her and demanded her keys. Defendant Wertman forcibly grabbed Victim's C's keys from her hands. Defendant Wertman then entered Victim C's black Xfinity QX5 and drove off. Surveillance video captured this incident and showed Defendant Wertman being dropped off at the school by someone driving Victim B's stolen white Jeep Grand Cherokee. The surveillance also showed Defendant Wertman's face and distinctive clothing which included ripped blue jeans with a bright green spray-painted strip down the outside leg. A review of Defendant Wertman's Facebook page revealed photographs of him wearing those same jeans January 14 and 17, 2022. Victim C's vehicle was recovered from a parking lot in Burnsville where Defendant

Wertman's girlfriend resides later this same day.

On January 9, 2022 at 6:55 p.m., Ramsey County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a grocery store located on the 2300 block of Rice Street in Little Canada, Ramsey County, Minnesota on the report of a theft. Officers responded and spoke with Victim D, a known adult female. Victim D reported she was walking in the parking lot of the grocery store when a white SUV approached her. Victim D stated that the front seat passenger in the vehicle reached out and ripped her purse off of her arm inflicting pain before fleeing the area. Victim D described the thief as matching the description of Defendant Argue. Victim's purse contained her credit cards and checkbook.

Shortly thereafter at approximately 7:00 p.m., at a nearby shopping center in Roseville, officers responded to two reports of a white Jeep Grand Cherokee assaulting and stealing items from two individuals. Officers spoke with Victim E who reported that when she left the mall, two individuals approached her, said they would kill her, pushed her to the ground, and attempted to steal her purse. When Victim E started calling 911 from her watch, the suspects fled. Minutes later, Victim F reported that she was walking to her vehicle with a cart and was followed by a suspect who matched the description of Defendant Argue. Victim F reported that she was shoved to the ground by Defendant Argue who also stole her purse with her cell phone. Surveillance video captured a white Jeep Grand Cherokee as the vehicle associated with these incidents. Victim F's phone pinged to the same apartment complex associated with Defendant Wertman's girlfriend resides and where Victim C's vehicle was recovered.

Shortly thereafter at approximately 8:00 p.m., Victim D learned that her credit card was attempted to be used at a gas station located in Lakeville, Dakota County, Minnesota. Surveillance video from the gas station shows Defendant Argue arrive in Victim B's stolen white Jeep Grand Cherokee and depicts her face inside the gas station store where the credit card was used.

On January 10, 2022 at 11:11 a.m., Saint Louis Park Police officers were dispatched to a parking ramp located on the 1600 block of Duke Drive in Saint Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota on the report of a carjacking. Officers responded and spoke with Victim G, a known adult female. Victim G told officers that she was walking to her vehicle when she heard a man with a mask run up behind her and rip her purse from her arm. The man demanded her keys. When Victim G said she didn't have her keys (because the keys were in the purse already taken), the man shoved her to the ground causing her to hit her head and elbow on the pavement. The man then fled with Victim G's black Range Rover. Surveillance video captured Victim G's vehicle leaving the area, following in tandem behind a white Jeep Grand Cherokee. License plate reader information detected that Victim G's stolen vehicle was driven by a location just over a half mile from Defendant Wertman's residence in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Victim G's stolen vehicle was recovered on January 18, 2022 in Eagan, Minnesota. Inside the Land Rover was a receipt from January 10, 2022 at 5:14 p.m. for a restaurant located only a few blocks from Defendant Argue's residence in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Victim B's stolen white Jeep Grand Cherokee that was used in these preceding offenses was recovered by law enforcement on January 11, 2022 at 8:30 p.m. at the same apartment complex where Defendant Wertman's girlfriend resides, where Victim C's vehicle was recovered, and Victim F's stolen phone pinged.

On January 12, 2022 at 10:09 a.m., Richfield Police officers responded to two robberies occurring in the same parking lot on the 7500 block of Lyndale Avenue South in Richfield, Hennepin County, Minnesota. Officers responded and spoke with Victim H, a known adult female. Victim H told officers that she was visiting a patient at this location. When she parked her 2010 red Chevrolet Traverse in the lot, she was approached by two individuals matching the descriptions of Defendants Wertman and Argue. Victim H recounted that Defendants had their hands in their pockets as if they were holding guns. They told Victim H that she had five seconds to hand over her keys. In fear, Victim H handed over her keys and the Defendants

got into her vehicle and left the area.

A second officer on this call was flagged down by Victim I, a known adult female. Victim I told officers that she was just confronted by two individuals matching the descriptions of Defendants Wertman and Argue. Victim I recounted that Defendants demanded her keys and tried to steal her dogs that she was walking. Victim I was able to hold onto her keys and dogs and Defendants ran to the other side of the parking lot when the dogs started to bark. Victim I watched as Defendants then approached Victim H, demanded her keys telling her that they had a gun, and stole her red Chevy Traverse.

Shortly thereafter on January 12, 2022 at 1:45 p.m., Brooklyn Center Police officers were dispatched to a gym located on the 1500 block of Shingle Creek Crossing in Brooklyn Center, Hennepin County, Minnesota on the report of an attempted carjacking. Officers responded and spoke with Victim J, a known adult female. Victim reported that she had just arrived at the gym for a workout in her Porsche Cayenne. She recounted that a red vehicle pulled up next to her and the occupants yelled for her to give over her keys or she would be shot. The driver of the vehicle, determined to be Defendant Wertman, got out of the car and started yanking on Victim J's arm to get the keys. When Victim J resisted, Defendant Wertman punched her in the face, causing her to fall to the ground, and her lip to swell. Victim J was able to write down the license plate of the red vehicle as it fled the area, which matched Victim H's vehicle that had just been stolen out of Richfield.

Also on January 12, 2022 at 4:09 p.m., Edina Police officers were dispatched to a daycare located on the 7700 block of Computer Avenue in Edina, Hennepin County, Minnesota on the report of an attempted carjacking. Officers responded and spoke with Victim K, a known adult female. Victim K reported that was picking up her child from daycare when a red SUV pulled up next to her. She was approached by two individuals subsequently identified as Defendants. Defendants told her repeatedly to give over her keys to her Audi Q5. She relented out of fear and was able to grab her purse and phone from her vehicle. Defendants then demanded her purse and Victim K ran towards the door to the daycare. Victim K fell to the ground and Defendant Argue got on top of her. The owner of the daycare came out to intervene pulling Defendant Argue off Victim K. Defendants got back into the red SUV and fled. Victim K and the daycare owner were able to snap pictures of the vehicle, which matched Victim H's vehicle that had just been stolen and used in another robbery.

Also on January 12, 2022 at 4:49 p.m., Saint Louis Park Police officers were dispatched to an address located on the 1400 block of Dakota Avenue South in Saint Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota on the report of a carjacking. Officers responded and spoke with Victim L, a known adult female. Victim L told officers that she was walking out to her vehicle when two individuals subsequently identified as Defendants approached her. Victim L recounted that one of the defendants told her to give over her keys saying that she had 10 seconds. When Victim L held onto her keys that Defendants were pulling on, one of the Defendants punched her in the head and her key fob broke away from her keychain that she was holding onto. Defendants then got into her 2018 gray Nissan Rogue and left the lot. Defendants left behind Victim H's stolen red Chevy Traverse which was recovered by law enforcement at the scene. On January 14, 2022, Defendant Argue posted a photograph of herself and Defendant Wertman inside of Victim L's stolen Nissan Rogue. Victim L was able to identify the unique personal property in her vehicle that was also visible in the photograph.

On January 15, 2022 at 1:12 p.m., Saint Louis Park Police officers were dispatched to an address located on the 2700 block of Louisiana Avenue S in Saint Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota. Officers responded and spoke with Victim M, a known adult female. Victim M told officers that she was making a delivery as part of her job to a resident at the apartment complex. When she returned to her car, she was approached by two individuals subsequently identified as Defendants. Victim M recounted that both Defendants had their hands in their pockets and appeared to have guns. One of the defendants said to

give over her keys or they will shoot. One of the defendants pulled Victim M's keys from her pocket. One defendant got into Victim M's black Nissan Rogue and the other got into Victim L's silver Nissan Rogue. Both fled in tandem. Victim M was able to snap a picture of Victim L's vehicle that was used in this robbery. This robbery was captured on surveillance video and shows Defendant Argue wearing a distinctive grey jacket that she is seen wearing in her Facebook photos and other surveillance video related to these robberies. Defendant Wertman is also depicted wearing similar clothing to other robberies. The video shows both Defendants reaching into Victim M's pockets and Defendant Wertman twice striking Victim M's arm to try and get the property from her before Defendant Argue is seen getting into Victim M's vehicle and leaving the scene at the same time that the silver Nissan Rogue leaves the lot. Victim M's vehicle was located severely damaged and abandoned in Minneapolis on January 16, 2022.

On January 16, 2022 at 3:18 p.m., Saint Louis Park Police officers were dispatched to a gym located on the 5200 block of Cedar Lake North in Saint Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota on the report of a carjacking. Officers responded and spoke with Victim N, a known adult female. Victim N reported that she had just parked in the parking ramp when an individual, subsequently identified by admission as Defendant Wertman, approached her and demanded her keys. When Victim N did not immediately comply, Defendant Wertman elbowed her in the chest causing pain and ripped the keys from her hand. Defendant Wertman then drove her Audi TT out of the parking lot.

On January 17, 2022 at 4:37 p.m., Saint Louis Park Police officers were dispatched to a residence located on the 1600 block of Duke Drive in Saint Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota on the report of a robbery. Officers responded and spoke with Victim O, a known adult female. Victim O reported that she had just gotten out of her vehicle when two individuals, subsequently identified as Defendants, approached her. Victim O reported that one of the Defendants put their hands on her shoulders and asked for her purse. Victim O stated that she tried to distract Defendants by throwing money at them. As Victim O tried to get away, her phone was stolen. Defendants fled in silver sedan. Victim O's stolen phone was recovered from Victim N's silver Audi when recovered by police with Defendants inside.

On January 17, 2022, Minneapolis Police officers were dispatched to the area of the 700 block of 9th Street SE in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota on the report of a carjacking. Officers responded and spoke with Victims P and Q, known adult females. Victims P and Q told officers that they had just parked their tan Subaru when a silver sports car pulled up next to them. Two individuals, subsequently identified as Defendants, approached Victim P and grabbed her purse by wrapping their arms around her. Defendants then ran away – one fleeing in Victim N's Audi and the other in Victim P's Subaru. The Subaru crashed into another vehicle nearby resulting in one of the defendants getting back into the Audi which fled. Portions of this incident are captured on surveillance video.

On January 18, 2022, Ramsey County Sheriff's deputies went to an address located on the 1700 block of Maryland Avenue in Saint Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota looking for Defendant Wertman in connection with these crimes. Upon leaving the residence, officers encountered Victim N's stolen Audi being driven by Defendant Wertman with Defendant Argue in the passenger seat. Officers activated their emergency lights in an attempt to stop Defendants. Instead, Defendant Wertman accelerated away at a high rate of speed extinguishing the vehicle's lights. Assisting officers on the street with lights activated and others monitoring cameras followed Defendant Wertman as he fled from police into Cedar Riverside neighborhood of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota and then back into Saint Paul to the address where officers were looking for Defendant Wertman. Defendants were taken into custody in that residence. At the time of arrest, Defendant Argue had a key fob for a Nissan vehicle in her jacket.

Defendant Wertman was advised of his rights pursuant to Miranda and stated that he was arrested driving a stolen Audi. He initially stated that he got the vehicle from a friend and didn't know it was stolen. He eventually admitted that he stole the Audi related to Victim N but denied any other robberies or thefts. He

denied that he had been in Saint Louis Park any time recently and claimed not to know where Saint Louis Park was located. Defendant Wertman also admitted that he fled from police but let police catch him because he wanted to see his son. Defendant Wertman told the officers that they should be out arresting murders, not people who steal cars.

Defendant Argue was advised of her rights pursuant to Miranda and stated that she was in Saint Louis Park on January 14, 2022 with Defendant Wertman. She admitted that she was in a photo on her Facebook page with Defendant Wertman on January 14, 2022 and said she didn't know whose vehicle that was.

Forensic analyses of the recovered stolen vehicles and both Defendants' phones are in process.

During the course of this investigation, law enforcement located a photograph that Defendant Wertman posted on Facebook holding a firearm with an extended magazine. The photograph was posted on January 14, 2022.

Defendant Wertman has two juvenile adjudications for Aggravated Robbery in the First Degree (27-JV-21-849, 62-JV-21-332) and Assault in the Second Degree (62-JV-21-270) for which he is presently on probation supervision. He also has a pending felony charge for Prohibited Person in Possession of a Firearm.

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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

Dana Hegman
Police Officer
3015 Raleigh Ave S
St Louis Park, MN 55416
Badge: P282

Electronically Signed:
01/21/2022 11:46 AM
Hennepin County, 23039

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

Prosecuting Attorney

Erin Lutz
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Minneapolis, MN 55487
(612) 348-5550

Electronically Signed:
01/21/2022 11:45 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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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: \$250,000.00

Conditions of Release: No Contact with Victim; No Contact with Co-Defendant(s); No use of drugs/alcohol; Random UAs; No Possession of Weapons; Other: EHM

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: January 21, 2022.

Judicial Officer

Julia Dayton Klein
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 01/21/2022 11:58 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.

Kashawn Jason Wertman

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.

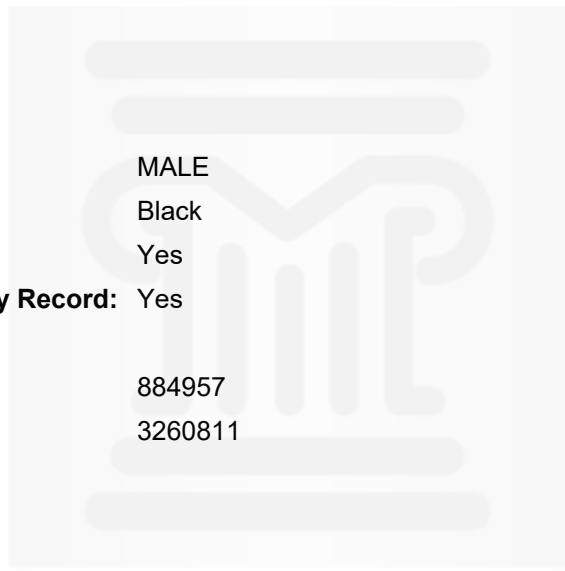
Signature of Authorized Service Agent:

DEFENDANT FACT SHEET

Name: Kashawn Jason Wertman
DOB: 09/08/2003
Address: 1733 Maryland Ave E
 St. Paul, MN 55106

Alias Names/DOB: Kashawn Wertman DOB: 9/8/2003
SID: MN19C41177

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 #: 884957
SILS Tracking No. 3260811
Alcohol Concentration:



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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	1/9/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/9/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/9/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/9/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
2	Charge	1/10/2022	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/10/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/10/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/10/2022	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
3	Charge	1/10/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/10/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/10/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/10/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
4	Charge	1/12/2022	609.245.2 Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree	Felony	R2183	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R2183	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R2183	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.245.2 Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree	Felony	R2183	X	MN0272100	22000284
5	Charge	1/12/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3183	X	MN0272100	22000284
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	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R3183	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3183	X	MN0272100	22000284
6	Charge	1/12/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284

	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.17.4(2) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-1/2 Of Intended	Felony	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
7	Charge	1/12/2022	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1183	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R1183	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R1183	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1183	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.17.4(2) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-1/2 Of Intended	Felony	R1183	A	MN0272100	22000284
8	Charge	1/12/2022	609.245.2 Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree	Felony	R2183	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R2183	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R2183	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.245.2 Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree	Felony	R2183	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.17.4(2) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-1/2 Of Intended	Felony	R2183	A	MN0272100	22000284
9	Charge	1/12/2022	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1153	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R1153	A	MN0272100	22000284
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	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.17.4(2) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-1/2 Of Intended	Felony	R1153	A	MN0272100	22000284
10	Charge	1/12/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.17.4(2) Anticipatory Crimes-Attempts-Penalty-1/2 Of Intended	Felony	R3153	A	MN0272100	22000284
11	Charge	1/12/2012	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284

	Modifier	1/12/2012	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2012	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2012	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
12	Charge	1/12/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/12/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/12/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
13	Charge	1/15/2022	609.245.2 Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree	Felony	R2183	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/15/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R2183	X	MN0272100	22000284
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	Penalty	1/15/2022	609.245.2 Aggravated Robbery-2nd Degree	Felony	R2183	X	MN0272100	22000284
14	Charge	1/15/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3183	X	MN0272100	22000284
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	Penalty	1/15/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3183	X	MN0272100	22000284
15	Charge	1/16/2022	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
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	Modifier	1/16/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/16/2022	609.245.1 Aggravated Robbery-1st Degree	Felony	R1153	X	MN0272100	22000284
16	Charge	1/16/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/16/2022	609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Modifier	1/16/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/16/2022	609.24 Simple Robbery	Felony	R3153	X	MN0272100	22000284
17	Charge	1/17/2022	609.52.2(a)(1) Theft-Take/Use/Transfer Movable Prop-No Consent	Felony	U1313	X	MN0272100	22000284
	Penalty	1/17/2022	609.52.3(3)(d)(i)	Felony	U1313	X	MN0272100	22000284

Modifier	1/17/2022	Theft - Value \$1000 or less - Person/corpse/grave/coffin 609.05.2 Liability for Crimes of Another-Reasonably Forseeable	No-Level	U1313	X	MN0272100	22000284
Modifier	1/17/2022	609.05.1 Liability for Crimes of Another-Intentional	No-Level	U1313	X	MN0272100	22000284



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