STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY

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Plaintiff,

DA Case No.: 2020ML011328

Court Case No.:

VS.

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

JONES, WILLIE L

DOB: 10/03/1968

Defendant(s).

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THE BELOW NAMED COMPLAINANT BEING DULY SWORN, ON INFORMATION AND BELIEF STATES THAT:

## Count 1: FIRST DEGREE INTENTIONAL HOMICIDE

The above-named defendant on or about Tuesday, May 5, 2020, in the area of 27th and North Ave., in the City of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, did cause the death of CMK, another human being, with intent to kill that person, contrary to sec. 940.01(1)(a), 939.50(3)(a) Wis. Stats.

Upon conviction for this offense, a Class A Felony, the defendant shall be sentenced to imprisonment for life.

## **Probable Cause:**

Milwaukee Police Officer Daniel Smokovich reports the following:

- On May 5, 2020, at about 2:10 p.m., while on duty, he responded to the Walgreens at 27th and North Ave., City and County of Milwaukee, in regard to a reported shooting at that location.
- 2. Upon his arrival at that location, he pulled into the Walgreens' parking lot.
- As he pulled into the lot, he saw a woman (subsequently identified as CMK) lying on the ground. He also saw a male standing near her and he believed that the male may be the person who called to report the shooting.
- 4. He believed that he was the first officer to arrive at the scene.
- He began walking toward the female who was on the ground. When he was about five to six feet from the woman, the male, who was still standing near her, said "Hey, you're going to have to fucking kill me."
- After the male made this statement, he, Officer Smokovich, saw that the male was holding a small handgun in his hand. He, Office Smokovich, then drew his gun and returned to his squad car to take cover.
- He began to yell at the male to drop the gun, but the male continued to state "Kill me" and "You're going to have to shoot me."
- He, Officer Smokovich, then saw two other police officers (identified as Officers Carlson and Fekete) approach.
- He, Officer Smokovich, then saw the male making a pivoting or swiveling motion at the waist and the gun was then pointed at him as the male's arms moved. He, Officer Smokovich, believed that the male was attempting to provoke him to shoot.
- 10. During one of these swiveling motions he heard a pop from the direction of the male and he, Officer Smokovich, believe that the male had fired at him. He then returned fire.
- 11. The male then fell to the ground and was no longer an immediate threat because the gun the male had been holding fell behind him.

12. He then ran up to the male and placed him under arrest.

The male was subsequently identified as Willie Jones (defendant). He was transported to Froedtert Hospital for treatment of the gunshot wound he had sustained.

During the investigation of this incident, Milwaukee Police Detective Timothy Graham interviewed CT, an adult female who is the daughter-in-law of CMK. During that interview, CT provided the following information about this shooting:

- 1. She was dropping CMK off at Walgreens where she, CMK, worked as a pharmacy tech.
- 2. She was driving, CMK was in the front passenger's seat, and her stepson was in the back seat.
- 3. She drove into the parking lot and she stopped near the front of the store to let CMK out.
- Prior to CMK getting out of the car, they were having a brief conversation about CMK's exboyfriend, whom she, CT, knew as "Bill."
- When CMK opened the front door and was stepping out of the car, she, CT, saw Bill emerge from behind a pillar in front of Walgreens.
- She, CT, told CMK that Bill was there. When CMK had gotten completely out of the car and was standing up, Bill started to shoot her.
- She, CT, was in disbellef, and she then drove to a different area in the parking lot. She heard four to five gunshots.
- She saw two of CMK's coworkers come out to help her. One of the coworkers was kneeling next to CMK when Bill fired another shot into CMK.
- 9. She, CT, called 911. Bill was pacing around CMK's body when the police arrived.
- She saw a single officer approach CMK's body when Bill lifted his hands and it appeared to her that the officer saw that Bill was holding a gun.
- 11. The officer drew his gun, stepped back and told Bill to drop the gun.
- 12. More officers arrived and it appeared that they were telling Bill to drop the gun.
- 13. She saw Bill start to move and it appeared to her that he was becoming agitated, so she put her head down and then she heard gunshots.
- 14. After Bill was shot, she got out of her car to go to CMK but she was not allowed so she waited in her car.

After Willie Jones was taken into custody, MFD attempted to provide medical treatment to CMK, but it was determined that she was deceased. Her body was transported to the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office for an autopsy.

On May 6, 2020, an autopsy was performed on the body of CMK. The autopsy was performed by Dr. Brian Peterson, Chief Medical Examiner at the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office. During the autopsy, Dr. Peterson found that CMK had sustained four gunshot wounds: (1) a penetrating gunshot wound to the left side of CMK's head, behind the ear, (2) a penetrating gunshot wound to the left side of CML's head, in front of the ear, (3) a graze wound to the inside of CMK's right foot, and (4) a penetrating gunshot wound to the lower left side of CMK's back.

During the investigation of this incident, RLY was interviewed. During that interview, RYL stated that his stepson is Willie Jones (defendant), known as "Bill." He said that Bill used to live with him and Bill had an on-again, off-again relationship with "Cathy."

\*\*\*\*End of Complaint\*\*\*\*

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Criminal Complaint prepared by . Subscribed and sworn to before me on 05/10/20

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