

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY

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Plaintiff,

DA Case No.: 2021ML014501

Court Case No.:

vs.

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

YOUNG, MONTRAE L R
2961 NORTH 50TH STREET
MILWAUKEE, WI 53210
DOB: 08/22/1989

Defendant(s).

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

Count 1: FIRST DEGREE RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING SAFETY, USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON

The above-named defendant on or about Saturday, June 12, 2021, at 2248 North 39th Street, in the City of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, did recklessly endanger the safety of Sgt. Matthew Bell, under circumstances which show utter disregard for human life, contrary to sec. 941.30(1), 939.50(3)(f), 939.63(1)(b) Wis. Stats.

Upon conviction for this offense, a Class F Felony, the defendant may be fined not more than Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), or imprisoned not more than twelve (12) years and six (6) months, or both.

And further, invoking the provisions of sec. 939.63(1)(b) Wis. Stats., because the defendant committed this offense while using a dangerous weapon, the maximum term of imprisonment for the felony may be increased by not more than 5 years.

PROBABLE CAUSE

Complainant is a law enforcement officer employed by the Milwaukee Police, and bases this complaint on official reports prepared by Det. Rachel Smith, which are of the kind that complainant has used in the past and found to be accurate and reliable and which complainant knows are prepared in the regular course of that department's business.

Those reports reveal that on June 12, 2021, at approximately 2:31 a.m., Sgt. Matthew Bell, who was in plain clothes in his unmarked squad, was heading back to the Police Administration Building after leaving a shooting scene. Sgt. Bell was stopped at a red traffic light behind another vehicle at the intersection of N. 35th St. and W. North Av. when he observed a light colored 4dr, sedan driving at a high rate of speed southbound on N. 35th St. approaching W. North Av., and passing his squad car in the parking/ turn lane. Sgt. Bell stated the sedan disregarded the red traffic light and collided into a minivan. Sgt. Bell stated after the sedan collided into the minivan it failed to stop and fled the scene (hit and run) southbound on N. 35th St. Sgt. Bell turned west onto W. North Av. and stopped to see if the occupants of the van were injured. Sgt. Bell stated the occupants stated they didn't need medical and he alerted dispatch that there was a Hit and Run at N. 35th St. and W. North Av.

Sgt. Bell stated he decided to search for the striking vehicle as it was leaking fluids that he observed in the roadway as well as had front end damage. Sgt. Bell stated he proceeded southbound on N. 35th St. to W. Brown St. and then turned westbound on W. Brown St. to N. 39th St. Sgt. Bell then turned north onto N. 39th St. and since he wasn't able to locate the striking vehicle he was on his way back to the accident scene to wait for a squad to arrive. As Sgt. Bell proceeded northbound on N. 39th St. he got to approximately 2235 N. 39th St. when he heard two (2) gun shots in close proximity to his location. Sgt. Bell stated that he slowed down and began to scan the immediate area to determine where the gunshots came from. Sgt. Bell stated that he proceeded to drive slowly northbound on N. 39th St. and as he did so he observed a black male with shoulder length dreadlocks emerge from the area of a parked white Chrysler Pacifica (parked at 2248 N. 39th St. along with east curb line facing north).

Sgt. Bell stated that he could only see the subjects head at this point as there was three parked vehicles along the east curb line obstructing his view. Sgt. Bell continued northbound on N. 39th St. keeping eyes on the subject. Sgt. Bell proceeded past the parked Chrysler Pacifica at 2248 N. 39th St. looking back over his right shoulder at the subject. Sgt. Bell then observed the same subject standing in the doorway to the apartment complex at 2248 N. 39th St., City and County of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Sgt. Bell observed the subject armed with a gun in his right hand, down along the front of this right leg. Sgt. Bell stated he locked eyes for approximately 1-2 seconds with the subject as he was looking over his right shoulder, looking out the rear passenger window directly at the subject. Sgt. Bell stated that he then observed the subject raise the firearm in his right hand and discharge the firearm once in his direction. Sgt. Bell stated after this subject shot at him, the subject retreated back into the apartment complex. Sgt. Bell proceeded north on N. 39th St. and east on W. North Av. positioning his squad car in a vantage point to watch the back of the apartment complex as he believed the subject may attempt to flee out the back of the complex while he notified dispatch of the Shots Fired. Multiple officers/squads responded to the area and setup containment on the apartment complex.

Officers began going apartment unit to apartment unit to make contact with the residents. Det. Stirmel made contact with NMN, the apartment manager. NMN stated that she had been in her apartment when she heard three to four gunshots. NMN stated that the gunshots were very loud and close to the building. NMN stated that she knew that several occupants were in apartment 203 and that one of them matched the description of the shooter. Officers made contact with the occupants of unit 203 which included KVT and her boyfriend, the defendant. As the subjects exited the unit, Sgt. Bell identified the defendant as the subject that was armed with the gun and shot at him.

During an interview of KVT by Det. Smith, KVT initially provided a false statement. KVT, however, eventually informed police that the defendant and his brother had been on Water Street. KVT stated that she was sleeping when they arrived back to her apartment. KVT stated that when the defendant came into the residence he informed her that he had just "popped off" two rounds in the air for fun and then another round when a guy in a car came by. When asked why she did not answer the door right away and why she initially lied, KVT stated that the defendant told her not to answer the door at first, then told her to answer the door and lie to the police, telling them that they were all home all night and sleeping during the incident. KVT stated that she knows the defendant has a red revolver that he bought from his people for about \$300. KVT provided consent to police to search her apartment.

During a search of the apartment unit, officers located the following:

- A box of caliber 38 Special with one cartridge inside located in the southeast bedroom in a blue bin which was on the floor of this bedroom.
- A bronze 38 Special RP spent casing located in the southeast bedroom in a blue bin which was on the floor of this bedroom.
- A silver 38 Special Hornady spent casing which was located in the southeast bedroom in the closet.

- A bronze 38 Special RP spent casing which was located in the living room on the center of the floor.
- A black Smith and Wesson M&P Shield 13 round magazine with 10 9mm Luger FC cartridges located under the couch cushion in the living room.
- A box of caliber 38 Special with 22 cartridges (38 Special RP) inside located in the southwest bedroom in the closet in a blue plastic tub underneath a black bag.
- A Cobra 38 Special Revolver 6 shot with a pearl handle, orange and gray body with four cartridges in the cylinder (3 Bronze 38 Special RP and one Silver 38 Special Hornady), two empty slots at the top of the cylinder, located in the southwest bedroom closet in a black bag which was sitting inside of a blue bin.
- A 9mm Smith and Wesson M&P Shield Plus with a 10 round capacity black magazine inserted, (6 bronze 9mm Luger FC cartridges and 2 bronze 9mm Luger WIN cartridges) located in the southwest bedroom closet in a black bag underneath CSM#7, which was sitting inside of a blue bin.

During Mirandized interviews of the defendant, the defendant gave several various versions of events which included someone firing at him first and the another version about seeing a suspicious SUV. The defendant initially stated that he and his brother, DY, were being shot at by occupants of the vehicle. In the second version of the incident, the defendant stated there were just 3 shots fired during this incident and that he fired two of the shots. The defendant stated that he was only shooting to protect himself and his family. The defendant admitted to drinking that night and consented to a blood draw. The results of that blood draw is still pending.

The State will be asking for a no firearms order and no contact order with the victim/witnesses.

****End of Complaint****

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Criminal Complaint prepared by Francesco G. Mineo.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 06/16/21

Electronically Signed By:

Francesco G. Mineo

Assistant District Attorney

State Bar #: 1038329

Electronically Signed By:

Det. Thomas Dineen

Complainant