


**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI
AT INDEPENDENCE**

POLICE NO. :	2021-65008
PROSECUTOR NO. :	095466558
OCN :	

STATE OF MISSOURI,)	
)	PLAINTIFF,
vs.)	
)	
MYLES T BLESZ)	
528 S Huttig Ave)	CASE NO. 2116-CR04656
Independence, MO - 64052)	
DOB: 03/25/1985)	
Race/Sex: W/M)	
)	
)	DEFENDANT.

INDICTMENT

In the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri, at Kansas City, September Term, 2021. In Division Number 1 thereof, designated by the rules of said Court as Criminal Division A.

Count I. Murder 2nd Degree (565.021-001Y20200999.0)

The Grand Jurors of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, charge that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.021, RSMo, committed the **class A felony of murder in the second degree**, punishable upon conviction under Section 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about October 5, 2021, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant knowingly caused the death of Waylon Williams by shooting him.

An individual convicted and sentenced for this offense shall not be eligible for parole until eighty-five percent of the sentence is served.

The range of punishment for a class A felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than ten (10) years and not to exceed thirty (30) years, or life imprisonment.

Count II. Armed Criminal Action (571.015-001Y20205299.0)

The Grand Jurors of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, charge that the defendant, in violation of Section 571.015, RSMo, committed the **felony of armed criminal action**, punishable upon conviction under Section 571.015.1RSMo, in that on or about October 5, 2021, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant committed the felony of Murder in the Second Degree charged in Count One, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, and the defendant committed the foregoing felony of Murder in the Second Degree by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a deadly weapon.

The range of punishment for the offense of Armed Criminal Action in violation of section 571.015.1, RSMo. is imprisonment by the department of corrections for a term of not less than three years and not to exceed fifteen years, unless the person is unlawfully possessing a firearm, in which case the term of imprisonment shall be for a term of not less than five years. No person convicted under this subsection shall be eligible for parole, probation, conditional release, or suspended imposition or execution of sentence for a period of three calendar years. The range of punishment for the offense of Armed Criminal Action in violation of section 571.015.2, RSMo. as a second offense is imprisonment by the department of corrections for a term of not less than five years and not to exceed thirty years, unless the person is unlawfully possessing a firearm, in which case the term of imprisonment shall be for a term not less than fifteen years. No person convicted under this subsection shall be eligible for parole, probation, conditional release, or suspended imposition or execution of sentence for a period of five calendar years. The range of punishment for the offense of Armed Criminal Action in violation of section 571.015.3, RSMo. as a third offense is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than ten (10) years without eligibility for parole, probation, conditional release or suspended imposition or execution of sentence for a period of ten (10) calendar years. Any punishment imposed pursuant to section 571.015 RSMo. shall be in addition to any punishment provided by law for the crime committed by, with, or through the use, assistance, or aid of a dangerous instrument or deadly weapon. The punishment imposed pursuant to Section 571.015, RSMo shall be in addition to and consecutive to any punishment provided by law for the crime committed by, with, or through the use, assistance, or aid of a dangerous instrument or deadly weapon.

Count III. Delivery Of Controlled Substance Except 35 Grams Or Less Of Marijuana Or Synthetic Cannabinoid (579.020-004Y20203599.0)

The Grand Jurors of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, charge that the defendant, in violation of Section 579.020, RSMo, committed the **class C felony of delivery of a controlled substance**, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.002 and 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about October 5, 2021, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant, with the intent to distribute, knowingly possessed methamphetamine, a controlled substance, knowing of its presence and nature.

The range punishment for a class C felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than three (3) years and not to exceed ten (10) years; or by a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); or by both imprisonment and a fine. If money or property has been gained through the commission of the crime, any fine imposed may be not more than double the amount of the offender's gain from the commission of the crime.

Count IV. Unlawful Use Of Weapon - Subsection 11 - Possess Weapon And A Felony Controlled Substance (571.030-019Y20205299.0)

The Grand Jurors of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, charge that the defendant, in violation of Section 571.030, RSMo, committed the **class E felony of unlawful use of a weapon**, punishable under Sections 558.002 and 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about October 5, 2021, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant knowingly possessed a black shotgun with a pistol style grip, a firearm, while also possessing methamphetamine, a controlled substance, knowing of its presence and nature.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person who pleads guilty to or is found guilty of a felony violation of Section 571.030.1, RSMo, shall receive a suspended imposition of sentence if such person has previously received a suspended imposition of sentence for any other firearms or weapons-related felony offense.

The range punishment for a class E felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than one (1) year and not to exceed four (4) years; or by imprisonment for a special term not to exceed one (1) year in the county jail or other authorized penal institution; or by a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); or by both imprisonment and a fine. If money or property has been gained through the commission of the crime, any fine imposed may be not more than double the amount of the offender's gain from the commission of the crime.

Wherefore this Indictment supersedes any Complaint, Information, or Indictment previously filed in the Associate Circuit Court.

A TRUE BILL

FOREPERSON

**JEAN PETERS BAKER
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON,
STATE OF MISSOURI, by**

Received this ____ day of _____, 2021.

SUMMONS TO ISSUE. BOND TO REMAIN AS PREVIOUSLY SET. SPECIAL CONDITIONS SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT.

WARRANT ISSUED IN BASE CASE TO REMAIN ACTIVE.
BOND AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS TO REMAIN AS PREVIOUSLY SET.

WARRANT TO ISSUE. BOND SET AS FOLLOWS: \$ _____.

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

WITNESSES:

1. DET Emily Knox, 223 N. Memorial Drive, Independence, MO 64050

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: 10/6/2021

Report #: 2021-65008

I, E. Knox, a Detective with the Independence, Missouri, Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

1. I have probable cause to believe that on 10/5/2021, at 0338 Hours, Myles T. M. Blesz, (Race- White, Sex- Male, DOB- 03/25/1985, Address-528 S. Huttig Avenue, Independence, Missouri 64050, [REDACTED] committed one or more criminal offenses in Jackson County, Missouri.

2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 10/05/2021 at 0339 hours, Officers with the Independence Missouri Police were dispatched to 528 S. Huttig Avenue, Independence, Jackson County, Missouri, in reference to a reported suicide attempt. Dispatched advised the reporting party, [REDACTED] advised his friend, the Victim, Waylon Williams, had shot himself in the head and was not breathing.

Officers arrived on scene and made contact with [REDACTED] who met the officers on the front porch of the house. [REDACTED] advised the officers he heard one shot come from an upstairs bedroom and led the officers to where the Victim was located. Officer Steele walked into an upstairs bedroom where he immediately smelled an odor of burnt marijuana. Once he walked into the threshold of the bedroom, he observed the Victim laying on a chair located in the corner of the room. He observed Waylon to be bleeding profusely from his head and mouth and did not have any signs of life. AMR and Independence Fire Department personnel responded to the residence, and they confirmed the Victim was deceased.

Officer Steele observed the Victim's body to be resting on the outer most ledge of the chair and had a lighter in his left hand. He stated the Victim's right hand was empty and then he tried to locate a firearm in plain view. Officer Steele looked around the chair the Victim was resting on and was unable to locate a firearm. Officer Steele and other officers conducted a sweep of the residence and located three more people in the basement. All of the subjects were removed from the residence, crime scene tape was placed around the entire residence and detectives were notified.

Detective Pagel, Detective Knox, Detective Cox, Detective Lane and Detective Sergeant Hininger responded to the scene. Detective Pagel obtained a search warrant for the residence of 528 S. Huttig Avenue, Independence, Jackson County, Missouri. Detectives then executed the search warrant at the residence and located a bedroom on the east side of the second floor that contained the deceased body of the victim, Waylon Williams. As that room was searched, a 12-gauge pump shotgun with a pistol grip loaded with 4 shell casings was located. Two handgun holsters were located on the bed, one holster contained a magazine loaded with 9 mm ammunition. Two other magazines loaded with .45 caliber and 9 mm ammunition were located in a box on the floor. Investigators also located a wall mounted vault hanging on the east wall of the bedroom. The vault was found to contain several items of drug paraphernalia including scales, glass smoking pipes, mini bongs, hundreds of small plastic baggies, and over 45 grams of a white crystallized substance identified as Methamphetamine. Additionally, over 16 grams of Marijuana was located. The items located were consistent with the sale and distribution of narcotics and not personal use.

On 10/05/21, CSI Myers and CSI Dowdy responded to process the crime scene. CSI Myers photographed the scene and evidence was collected. One item recovered from the upper east bedroom was a Browning 9 mm Luger cartridge casing. This was located on the floor under the chair where the Victim was located.

On 10/05/21, Detective Knox interviewed [REDACTED] after he was advised of his Miranda rights. [REDACTED] stated he was in his bedroom with his girlfriend laying down, when he heard a gunshot. [REDACTED] said he immediately got up, dressed and went to the Defendant's bedroom. He said he looked at the Defendant and [REDACTED] to see if they were ok then he panned over in the room and saw the Victim laying in the chair that was next to the doorway of the balcony. He described the Victim's head to be laying on the armrest and described the Victim as lifeless and said he could hear the blood trickling down. He said [REDACTED] were saying "what happened" and the Defendant was saying "oh my God [REDACTED] come here". He described the Victim to have blood all around his mouth and covering his face and there was blood pooling in his eyes and nose. He said he called 911 and the Defendant, [REDACTED] and their children left the residence in their black SUV

before the police arrived. [REDACTED] denied seeing a gun in the room but said somebody may have picked it up. [REDACTED] said only the Victim, Defendant and [REDACTED] were in the bedroom.

On 10/05/21, Detective Pagel spoke with a neighbor who stated prior to hearing the shot, the neighbor heard a fight/argument inside the residence.

On 10/05/21, Detective Cox and Detective Knox interviewed [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was advised of her Miranda Warning and agreed to speak with the Detectives. [REDACTED] stated the bedroom where Waylon was located was her and Myles' bedroom. She said she was asleep and woke up to the gunshot. She stated Myles was standing at the foot of the bed she was asleep on and told her not to look. She said she grabbed her pink Nike backpack which was located on the bed and left the room. She said she gathered her three children and they eventually left the residence in her black Kia before the police arrived. [REDACTED] said her pink Nike backpack contained two handguns, a 357 revolver and a 9 mm handgun. [REDACTED] also said she does not use drugs but Myles uses "dope". [REDACTED] stated her family stayed at a hotel for the night and the next day the Defendant drove her family to the area of 24 Highway and Huttig and saw the police. She said the Defendant got out of the car and told the kids that he loved them and he would see them soon. She said the Defendant told her she needed to get away, go to Florida and start over. She said the Defendant told her the police were going to blame him for the Victim's death. She said the defendant walked up the Street and was arrested. [REDACTED] denied the Defendant owning any other guns.

On 10/05/21, Detective Cox interviewed [REDACTED] for a second time after he acknowledged his Miranda rights. [REDACTED] on the evening of 10/04/2021, he and the Defendant smoked "meth" in Myles' bedroom at the residence. Steven also told Detective Cox that the Defendant told him that the Victim bumped him and "it" went off. [REDACTED] confirmed the Defendant owned a red/yellow handgun which he thought was a 9 mm. He said he last saw the Defendant with the gun on 10/04/21 and he said [REDACTED] knew about the gun. [REDACTED] also mentioned he knew the Defendant went by the name Myles and by the name Mark. He stated when the Defendant was Mark he mentioned being paranoid of the Victim and wanting to kill the Victim.

On 10/05/2021, Detective Cox and Detective Knox interviewed the Defendant, Myles Blesz, after advising him of his Miranda Rights. Myles stated he believed the police were at his residence of 528 S. Huttig Avenue, Independence, Missouri, because of the drugs in his safe. Detective Knox asked if that was the safe located in his room and he said it was. Myles said the last time he smoked "dope" was yesterday. He said he smokes "crystal dope" but sometimes it is "benzo-dope". Detectives informed Myles they were talking to him because the Victim was killed last night in his house. Myles then requested a lawyer.

On 10/06/21, Detective Cox interviewed [REDACTED] again after she acknowledged her Miranda Rights. [REDACTED] admitted she knew the Defendant had a red colored gun and that she had lied. [REDACTED] told him after they left the house, the Defendant drove a couple blocks away by the railroad tracks. [REDACTED] said a male named [REDACTED] got out of the vehicle and hid the guns in the woods. [REDACTED] said she would take Detective Cox to where the guns were hidden. Detective Cox, Sgt. Hininger and [REDACTED] drove to a wooded area across from 220 S. Arlington Avenue and located two handguns next to a mattress in the woods. They also located a red cell phone in a clear case with the words "arrive alive" on it. [REDACTED] identified the cell phone as the Defendant's phone and stated he threw the phone out of the car. CSI Dowdy arrived on scene and photographed and recovered the two guns and cell phone. One gun was a black, Glock 41 Gen 4, .45 caliber firearm bearing serial number XZB341 and the other was a red and gold, Sig Sauer, 9 caliber firearm bearing serial number 58B087741. The Sig Sauer had a magazine that contained sixteen - 9 mm cartridges and one - 9 mm cartridge in the chamber.

On 10/06/21, Detective Brady and CSI Cheshier responded to the Jackson County Medical Examiner's Office and was present for the body exam of the Victim, Waylon Williams. CSI Cheshier observed a gunshot wound to the Victim's chin and noted there was no projectile exit defect. CSI Cheshier stated an x-ray indicated the projectile was still inside the Victim's head.

On 10/06/21, Detective Cox requested the red Sig Sauer pistol found in the woods be test fired and the test shell casing entered in to NIBIN for comparison against the 9 mm shell casing found at the crime scene. On 10/06/21, the results showed the 9mm shell casing recovered from the crime scene had been fired from the red Sig Sauer pistol.

On 10/06/21, Detective Knox and Detective Cox interviewed [REDACTED] after advising her of her Miranda Rights. [REDACTED] was identified as being at the residence when the incident occurred. [REDACTED] she was at the residence visiting [REDACTED] and she went to bed in the spare bedroom around 2100-2200 hours on 10/04/21. She when she woke up to the gunshot she came out of her room and saw [REDACTED] at her bedroom door. She said it was dark and there were no lights on. She said [REDACTED] was getting her kids and saying they needed to go. She asked [REDACTED] what happen and [REDACTED] said "someone just shot themselves" or "he just shot himself". She asked [REDACTED] for a ride and got into [REDACTED]'s SUV with [REDACTED], the Defendant, their children and a black male. She said the Defendant was driving and when he backed out of the driveway he hit a car. [REDACTED] said when they left the house, they stopped near a railroad track and the "black dude" got out of the car and walked by the railroad tracks. She never saw the guns. She was shown a picture of the red gun and said it looked familiar. She said the Defendant has several guns.

On 10/06/21, Detective Cox was notified by Detention Officer Jordan Stivers that the Defendant wanted to speak to him again without a lawyer present. Detective Cox and Detective Knox interviewed the Defendant after he was again read his Miranda Rights and advised he wanted to speak without an attorney present. Myles told Detective Cox that he had shot someone on 24 Highway and he did not know if that person lived or died. He stated it was "Taz" that he shot and [REDACTED] and Waylon were with him. He said Taz had pulled a gun on [REDACTED] and that is why they all went looking for "Taz". He also said he thought "Taz" had put a gun to [REDACTED] back and that [REDACTED] wanted to hit "Taz" with a stick and steal "Taz's" gun. He said when they pulled up he told "Taz" to show him the gun, when "Taz" showed the gun, he shot "Taz". Myles said he used the 9 mm Sig to shoot "Taz". He said he thought he hit "Taz" one time but he was moving when he was shooting. He said "Taz" returned fire. Myles said he drove there and drove away from the scene.

Myles said they got back to his house and went upstairs to the his room. He said [REDACTED] was in the room and was asleep. He said the only people in the room were him, [REDACTED] and Waylon. Myles told a few different stories of how Waylon was shot. Detective Cox told him he did not believe the stories he was telling and the interview was ended. Detective Knox and Detective Cox escorted Myles back to detention. Once in Detention, Myles told Detective Cox he would remember what happened if he could see his wife, [REDACTED]. Detective Cox agreed to allow him to see his wife with the Detectives present and they could not touch each other.

Detective Cox contacted [REDACTED] who said she wanted to talk to Myles and she wanted to know why he did it. Detective Cox allowed [REDACTED] to see Myles and Myles told [REDACTED] it was an accident and he did not mean to do it. Detective Cox ended their conversation and took [REDACTED] back to her cell. Detective Cox continued talking to Myles and Myles stated that [REDACTED] had a gun and he was nervous. He said he started to hand his gun to Waylon and his finger slipped on the trigger and he shot Waylon.

On 10/07/21, Detective Knox and Detective Cox interviewed [REDACTED] after advising him of his Miranda Rights. [REDACTED] was identified as being in the room during the shooting. [REDACTED] knew the Defendant, Myles Blesz, by the name Myles and Marcus. [REDACTED] stated he was picked up by the Defendant and taken to the Defendant's house. He said was asleep in the Defendant's room when he felt like a wind go or someone went by him, then he heard a pop. He said after the pop he saw the Defendant walking towards the patio door. He said the Defendant was saying "why he do it". [REDACTED]t said when he woke up it was only him, the Defendant and the Victim in the room. He said when he heard the pop the Defendant was not far from the chair the Victim was in and was heading towards the patio. [REDACTED] said he did not see a gun, he asked where the gun was and nobody would produce a gun [REDACTED] said he left the residence with the Defendant, [REDACTED] and their children in a black SUV. He said the Defendant stopped the car, the Defendant told [REDACTED] to throw the two guns into the woods. [REDACTED]t got out of the vehicle, took the guns from the Defendant and threw them into the woods. [REDACTED]t got back into the SUV and the Defendant dropped him off at the casino.

Detective E. Knox #1248

/s/ Detective E. Knox #1248

Print Name

Signature

