

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI
AT KANSAS CITY**

POLICE NO. :	KC23016078
PROSECUTOR NO. :	095473806
OCN:	HU011657

STATE OF MISSOURI,)	
)	PLAINTIFF,
vs.)	
)	
CHARLES EDWARD STAMPER)	
2017 East Linwood Blvd, Apt. 311)	CASE NO. 2316-CR
Kansas City, MO 64109)	DIVISION
DOB: 04/27/1965)	
Race/Sex: W/M)	
S.S.N.: XXX-XX-5860)	
)	DEFENDANT.

COMPLAINT
WARRANT REQUESTED

Count I. Murder 2nd Degree (565.021-001Y20200906.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges 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 on or about March 15, 2023, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant, with the purpose of causing serious physical injury to Dickens F Taima, caused the death of Dickens F Taima by striking him in the head.

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 (571.015-001Y20205212.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 571.015, RSMo, committed the felony of armed criminal action, punishable upon conviction under Section 571.015.3, RSMo, in that on or about on or about March 15, 2023, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant committed the felony of Murder in the Second Degree charged in Count 1, all

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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 dangerous instrument.

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. 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.

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the statement(s) of facts filed contemporaneously herewith, made a part hereof, and submitted as a basis upon which this court may find the existence of probable cause.

Wherefore, the Prosecuting Attorney prays that an arrest warrant be issued as provided by law.

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Jackson County, Missouri
by,

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WITNESSES:

1. CST Kellie Green, 2645 Brooklyn Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64127
2. DET Judith M. Harris, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106
3. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
64106
5. PO Gabrielle Lokamas, 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106
[REDACTED]
64106
7. PO Brian J. O'Conner, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106
8. PO Janna L. Rumney, 1125 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106
9. CST Kelli Sharp, 2645 Brooklyn, Kansas City, MO 64127
10. Dickens F Taima, Prosecuting Atty. Office, 415 E 12th St, Floor 11, Kansas City, MO 64106

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT FORM

Date: 03/16/2023

CRN: KC23016078

I, Detective J. Harris, #5824, of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department
(Name and identify law enforcement officer, or person having information as probable cause.)

knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

I have probable cause to believe that on 03/15/2023, at 2017 East Linwood Boulevard #407 in
(Date) (Address)

Kansas City, Jackson County Missouri Charles E. Stamper
(County) (Name of Offender(s))

W/M, 04/27/1965 committed one or more criminal offense(s).
(Description of Identity)

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 03/15/2023 at approximately 1438 hours, Officers of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department were dispatched to **2017 East Linwood Boulevard #504, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri 64109 (Emerson Manor Apartments)** on a reported cutting. Upon arrival, Officers contacted the calling party and a witness, who led Officers to apartment #407 and advised “Charlie” was inside covered in blood. Officers responded to apartment #407 and knocked on the secured (via deadbolt) door, but did not receive a response, so they forced entry into the apartment. Upon entering the apartment, Officers observed a male, later identified as **Charles E. Stamper W/M 04/27/1965**, covered in apparent blood standing in the doorway of the south bedroom of the apartment and took him into custody. Upon taking him into custody, **STAMPER** spontaneously uttered “it was self defense, there is a gun in there on the floor.” While conducting a protective sweep of the residence, Officers located a male victim covered in blood on the floor of the south bedroom with no signs of life. KCFD/EMS responded to the scene and confirmed the male deceased. The male sustained blunt force trauma injuries to his head, to include a large gaping wound to the back left side of his head, which exposed his brain. Investigators also observed multiple bruises to the back of his hands, forearms, and face. The Jackson County Medical Examiner’s Office has ruled the death a homicide.

While processing apartment #407, investigators observed the victim lying facedown on the ground at the foot of the bed, partially on top of a pillow and bedsheet. An industrial sized carriage bolt wrapped in a red strap was observed lying on the bed and a Smith and Wesson SD9 VE 9mm handgun bearing serial #FDA5472 was observed lying on the floor a few feet away from the victim. The handgun did not have a live round in the chamber, but live rounds were loaded in the magazine seeded in the firearm. A desk chair, that was lying on its side, was observed between the firearm and the victim. A large amount of blood and blood spatter was observed throughout the bedroom.

Witness #1 stated on 03/15/2023 at approximately 1400 hours, she was inside apartment #407, which she shares with the victim. She stated "Charlie" came over to run errands with her, and when he arrived, the victim was in his bedroom asleep. She stated she gave “Charlie” the keys to the apartment (#407) because he was going to

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leave to get some paperwork and come back, and she told him she was getting into the shower. When "Charlie" left the apartment, she got in the shower and approximately five minutes later, she heard what sounded like a scream. Upon turning off the water, Witness #1 heard another scream, which she described as being that of the victim's. Upon opening the bathroom door, Witness #1 observed "Charlie" standing in the victim's bedroom doorway with blood on his hands, holding an unknown object. When she asked "Charlie" what happened, he told her "it's ok, everything is fine" and then closed himself inside the victim's bedroom. She stated she didn't see the victim, nor did she hear any noises after the door was closed, but she left the residence to notify the other two witnesses. When Witness #1 left the residence, she left the door to the apartment unlocked. Witness #1 positively identified a single photograph of **STAMPER** and advised she has known him approximately one year.

Witness #2 stated he was inside his apartment (#504) when Witness #1 knocked on his door. When he answered, Witness #1 told him the victim was beat up. When he responded to apartment #407, he discovered the door was locked. When he knocked and announced himself by name, "Charlie" answered the door and told him to calm down. Witness #2 entered the apartment and looked around for the victim, but he did not see him. Witness #2 stated as he was attempting to console Witness #1, "Charlie" said "let me explain what's going on." Witness #2 stated he went back into the apartment and located the victim at the end of the bed and observed what he described as a gunshot wound to the right side of the victim's chest. Witness #2 stated he stepped outside the apartment to call 911 and observed an unknown object with a lanyard in "Charlie's" hand, and advised it was not a firearm. Witness #2 provided a physical description of "Charlie" and stated he lives in #311 or #312. He further identified a single photograph of **STAMPER** as "Charlie."

Witness #3 stated he had just returned to the apartment building after visiting a nearby food pantry. He did not have his key with him, so he called Witness #2 to come let him into the building. Witness #2 met him at the front door and told him "Charlie" had just badly beaten the victim. Witness #3 advised they responded to the victim's apartment (407), where he observed Witness #1 in the hallway. Witness #3 escorted Witness #1 to his apartment (414) and Witness #2 stayed at the door of victim's apartment. After letting Witness #1 into his apartment, Witness #3 responded back to the victim's apartment and knocked on the door. He stated "Charlie" initially refused to open the door, but when Witness #3 threatened to kick the door in, Charlie opened it. Witness #3 stated "Charlie" was covered in blood and had a black strap of some sort wrapped around one of his wrists. Witness #3 stated "Charlie" repeatedly asked him not to call the police, but as he (Witness #3) walked away, he began to dial 911 and never entered entered the victim's apartment. Witness #3 was later shown a single photograph of **STAMPER**, which he positively identified as "Charlie".

STAMPER was placed on a 24 hour investigative hold for homicide and transported 1125 Locust Street, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri 64106 (Police Headquarters), where he was escorted to interview room #4 on the 7th floor, and processed for perishable evidence. During processing, **STAMPER** complained of a possible broken right index finger. Detectives observed apparent blood on most areas of **STAMPER'S** clothing and exposed skin. They also observed an abrasion and bruising on left side of his ribs and small abrasions on his hands. When detectives entered the room to conduct an interview, **STAMPER** requested an attorney prior to being read the Miranda Warning.

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STAMPER is currently in custody and being held at Metro Detention Facility located at 7601 Prospect Avenue, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri.

Printed Name Detective J. Harris, #5824 Signature /s/ Detective J. Harris, #5824

The Court finds probable cause and directs the issuance of a warrant this _____ day of _____.

Judge

Circuit Court of _____ County, State of Missouri.