

AMENDED PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT FORM

Date: Amended 08-27-2024

CRN: KC23015470

I, Detective Brian Cowan #5114 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 03-12-2023, at [REDACTED] in
(Date) (Address)

Kansas City, Jackson Missouri DEREK C. JONES

(County)

(Name of Offender(s))

B/M [REDACTED] committed one or more criminal offense(s).

(Description of Identity)

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 03-12-2023 at 2015 hours, Officers of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department were dispatched to [REDACTED] Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri in regard to a sound of shots call. While enroute to the call, Officers were updated that there was a reported shooting. Upon arrival, Officers were directed to [REDACTED] Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri where they encountered the male victim on the floor just inside the front door of the residence. The victim was unresponsive and suffering from apparent trauma. KCFD Medic #30 responded to the scene and pronounced the victim deceased at 2026 hours. A homicide investigation was initiated and members of the 1020 Homicide Squad responded to the scene.

While at the scene, Officers obtained information that the listed Offender (**Derek C. JONES** [REDACTED]) was the shooting suspect and that he had fled the scene in a dark blue or black GMC Terrain. Officers conducted a computer check of **JONES** which resulted in him being listed in nine (9) prior reports in Niche at [REDACTED] Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. **JONES** showed an address of [REDACTED] Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri and Officers responded to the area to conduct surveillance. While positioned in the area, Officers observed a black GMC Terrain approaching the location and park in the street outside the [REDACTED] address. Officers activated their emergency equipment and conducted a car check on the GMC Terrain in regard. **JONES** exited the driver's side of the vehicle and was taken into custody at 2046 hours without incident. The black 2019 GMC Terrain (VIN: [REDACTED]) was towed from the scene to the secured tow lot located at [REDACTED] Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri with an investigative hold placed on the vehicle.

A search warrant for the crime scene located at [REDACTED] Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri was obtained through the 16th Judicial Circuit Court, Jackson County, Missouri. During the execution of the search warrant, Investigators located eleven (11) shell casings, two (2) firearms and four (4) bullet fragments. The shell casings were located in the following locations: Seven (7) shell casings (6-Blazer .40 S&W, 1-Federal .40 S&W) on the front porch, one (1) shell casing (Federal .40 S&W) in the front yard (north side of porch), one (1) shell casing (Federal .40 S&W) inside the front door in apparent blood, one (1) shell casing (Blazer .40

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S&W) under the couch just inside the front door and one (1) shell casing (Federal .40 S&W) on the floor by the television in the living room. The bullet fragments were located in the following locations: two (2) bullet fragments were collected from inside the couch in the living room, one (1) bullet fragment was under the couch near the victim and one (1) fragment near the right side of the victim's head. The firearms were located and recovered from the following locations: The red Glock 43 (9x19 [REDACTED]) was inside of a gray diaper bag and was loaded with 9mm Luger ammunition (10-Ammo INC) in the magazine and chamber. The black Taurus G2C (9mm [REDACTED]) was found under the cushion of the couch in the living room and was loaded with 9mm Luger ammunition (4-FC, 3-GFL, 3-Tulammo) in the magazine with an empty chamber.

One of the female witnesses ([REDACTED]) was located at the scene and transported to Police Headquarters where a formal statement was taken. During the interview, [REDACTED] stated the following: [REDACTED] heard a knock at the door and the victim and [REDACTED] went to the door. They asked who was at the door and there was no answer. [REDACTED] looked out the window and the victim got a gun which [REDACTED] described as an "AR Pistol" from the laundry room. The victim and [REDACTED] both opened the door, part of the way. [REDACTED] stated the way the door was opened the gun was in the victim's right hand, but it was behind the door. [REDACTED] stated JONES was forcing open the door by pushing through it. [REDACTED] and the victim were trying to push the door closed. JONES got his hand inside and started firing. [REDACTED] let go of the door and they got to cover. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] attempted to give the victim CPR. [REDACTED] believed that the victim shot his weapon one or two times and advised JONES shot first. She also described the victim as having a smaller 9mm that he kept somewhere in the house, but she did not know where. [REDACTED] also stated that several children were present in the home at the time of the shooting and indicated that [REDACTED] the deceased victim's son, was close to the front door at the time of the shooting. [REDACTED] stated she had a custom Chiefs Glock in her gray diaper bag that at the scene. [REDACTED] denied anyone else firing a weapon at the scene other than the victim or JONES. During the interview, [REDACTED] was shown two (2) photographs. [REDACTED] identified the first photograph as the victim. [REDACTED] was shown the second photograph and she identified him as "the killer" and "fuckin Derek". [REDACTED] did not wish to sign the photographs.

The other female witness ([REDACTED]) located at the scene was also transported to Police Headquarters where a formal statement was taken. During the interview, [REDACTED] appeared to be in distress and stated the following: [REDACTED] was at her residence with her friend, [REDACTED], her boyfriend (victim), and six young children, four of whom were hers and one of whom was the deceased victim's son. [REDACTED] was in the living room with [REDACTED], the victim, and two of the children. Two other children were in the dining room, right next to the living room, and the rest of the children were in the bedrooms. [REDACTED] stated there was a knock at the door and they yelled "who's there" as they weren't expecting anyone. [REDACTED] looked out the window and observed someone wearing a white and lime green windbreaker standing at the door but could not see who it was as they were standing very close to the door. Also while looking out the window, [REDACTED] observed JONES' grandmother's GMC Terrain sitting across the street from her house. [REDACTED] and the victim, who had a firearm, went to the door and [REDACTED] unlocked the door. As soon as she unlocked the door, it was pushed open and she observed the father of two of her children, **Derek JONES**, standing there. JONES stepped one foot inside the residence and discharged a firearm several times at the victim, who was standing right next to her. JONES backed up and re-approached the door, discharging several more rounds at the victim. JONES backed up a third time and re-approached the door again, discharging several more rounds at the victim. JONES then ran to his vehicle and fled northbound. [REDACTED] stated JONES has assaulted her several times in the past and shot up her residence in August 2022. She

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stated she has an Order of Protection against **JONES** but they still had contact with each other regarding the children.

On 03-12-2023 at 2046 hours, **Derek C. JONES, B/M**, [REDACTED] was arrested at [REDACTED] Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri in regard to this offense and he was transported to Police Headquarters. **JONES** provided a formal statement to Detectives after being advised of his Miranda Rights. **JONES** initially denied any knowledge of the offense but ultimately stated he had driven to [REDACTED] Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, the address of his ex-girlfriend [REDACTED], with whom he has two children. **JONES** admitted he was aware [REDACTED] had an Order of Protection against him and he was not supposed to be at the location. Upon arrival, **JONES** stated he stood on the front porch and looked through one of the front windows and observed the victim yelling at his (**JONES'**) son. **JONES** advised he had walked up to the front porch with his handgun which he described as a .40 caliber XD tucked under his left armpit. **JONES** advised he knocked softly on the front door and [REDACTED] opened it. When she did so, **JONES** observed the victim to be holding an AR pistol which he had pointed at his (**JONES'**) face. **JONES** stated he produced his gun and fired several shots at the victim. **JONES** believed the victim fired two rounds at him. **JONES** advised after he fired his shots, he retrieved the victim's AR pistol and took it to his vehicle. He then drove from the location, picked up a friend at an apartment complex near [REDACTED] Boulevard. They stopped at a nearby QuikTrip to get gas and then drove to his grandmother's house [REDACTED] where he was arrested. **JONES** told detectives his handgun and the victim's AR pistol were still in his vehicle in a backpack.

On 3-13-2023, a search warrant for the GMC Terrain that **JONES** was driving at the time of his arrest was issued and produced a Del-Ton Inc (DTI) AR-15 pistol 5.56mm and a Springfield XD .40 caliber pistol. Subsequent testing at the KCPD Crime Lab determined that all of the recovered spent shell casings from the crime scene were fired from **JONES's** .40 caliber Springfield XD handgun.

On 3-13-2023, [REDACTED] was interviewed at the [REDACTED] and stated that the deceased victim was his father and that on 3-12-2023, he saw **JONES**, whom he identified as "the man with the pistol," burst into the Highland residence and shoot his father. [REDACTED] stated that **JONES** fired his firearm first. [REDACTED] also stated that after he was rushed into a back room (by [REDACTED]) away from the gunfire, he heard at least two more rounds of gunfire.

An arrest warrant was sought and issued for **JONES** based on the nature of the offense, the danger he poses to the community and his documented contact with involved parties.

Missouri Casenet reveals that **JONES** is the subject of two full orders of protection,

1. Under case number [REDACTED]

2. Under case number [REDACTED]

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Printed Name Detective Brian Cowan #5114 Signature /s/ Det. Brian Cowan #5114

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

Judge

Circuit Court of _____ County, State of Missouri.