

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT FORM

Date: 01/17/2025

CRN: KC24090490

I, Detective Ilinca Rusnac #5741, 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 12-09-2024, at [REDACTED] in
(Date) (Address)

Kansas City, Jackson Missouri Mr Terrell M. Simpson
(County) (Name of Offender(s))

B/M [REDACTED] / SS# XXX-XX-XXXX committed one or more criminal offense(s).
(Description of Identity)

The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 12/09/2024 at 1528 hours, Officers of the Kansas City Missouri Police Department were dispatched to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] on a reported sound of shots call, which was updated en route to a shooting.

Upon arrival, Officers located a male inside the driver seat of a parked Nissan Sentra and a female on the ground, just outside of the front passenger compartment of the same vehicle. Both parties were suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. Both parties were initially confirmed deceased at the scene by responding KCFD Medic. Shortly thereafter, medical personnel believed they had detected faint signs of life from the female. They began life saving measures and transported her to a nearby trauma center, where she was pronounced deceased shortly upon arrival.

The victims were identified as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] was a surviving victim and witness to a homicide on 12/05/2024 under KC24089623.

A total of twenty-three (23) 7.62x39, two (2) 9mm Luger and three (3) WIN .40 S&W shell casings were recovered from the scene, with the 9mm casings having both recovered from inside the rear passenger compartment of the victim vehicle. Video surveillance captured an unrelated shooting incident earlier in the day, where the .40 caliber shell casings were recovered from.

During the course of the investigation, KCPD Housing Officers provided Detectives with the lessee roster for building [REDACTED] and advised that the apartment complex had a working video surveillance system. The video surveillance was reviewed and revealed the following:

At 1521 hours, what is identified as 2021 Chevrolet Malibu bearing MO temporary tag [REDACTED] (what becomes the getaway vehicle) enters the apartment complex and parks near building [REDACTED]. The driver and sole occupant

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of the vehicle (later identified as [REDACTED]) exits the vehicle, enters building [REDACTED] at 1522 hours. He exits the property less than one minute later, gets back in the car and drives southbound through the lot. At 1523 – 1524 hours, the 2018 Nissan Sentra driven by [REDACTED] enters the parking lot and backs into a parking spot in front of building [REDACTED] with the same Chevrolet Malibu following immediately behind it and backing into a parking spot in front of building [REDACTED], two spots south (to the left on video) from the victim's vehicle.

- A tall, heavysset woman wearing all black (later identified as Linda **Ater**) exits the rear left passenger side of the victim vehicle holding a handgun with an extended magazine in her right hand
- An average height, thinner black male (later identified as Mr Terrell **Simpson**) exits the rear right passenger side of the victim vehicle holding a black with brown/wood small rifle (similar in appearance to a mini Draco rifle) which he then tucks into the front of his pants as he proceeds to walk inside building 6001. The male is observed to be wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, black balaclava (ski mask), black tight pants and white Nike Air Jordan 3 with red accents
- While **Simpson** is inside the building, the driver of the Chevrolet Malibu approaches the driver side of the Nissan Sentra (victim car) and converses with **Ater** and [REDACTED] as **Ater** hands him a green bottle of soda. **Ater** then re-enters the rear driver passenger side of the victim vehicle

At 1525 hours, **Simpson** exits the building and re-enters camera view as **Ater** opens her door fully. The same rifle is still visibly sticking out of **Simpson's** front right waist. He walks over to the front driver side of the Chevrolet Malibu, where the driver is now seated with the door open. The driver hands **Simpson** the green bottle of soda, which he grabs with both hands.

At this time, **Ater** calmly exits the rear driver side of the victim's vehicle, looks over to **Simpson** and the other male, then raises her right hand, holding the same handgun as before, aims directly at the back of [REDACTED] head and begins firing until her weapon appears to malfunction. As she is firing, **Simpson** is observed dropping the green plastic bottle and reaching for and brandishing the small rifle from his waistband. As **Ater's** handgun malfunctions, she looks over to **Simpson**, attempts to fire again (no shell casings can be seen being ejected) and begins to retreat away from the victim vehicle and gets into the rear left passenger side of the Malibu. Once **Ater** is out of the line of fire, **Simpson** begins firing the rifle from between the suspect/getaway vehicle and uninvolved parked car, directly in the direction of the victim's vehicle.

As **Simpson** is firing the rifle into the victim vehicle, [REDACTED] is observed seemingly unharmed as she is jumping out of the front passenger seat. As she is jumping out of the car, she slips and falls to the ground. As [REDACTED] jumps out of the car, **Simpson** stops firing, runs around the uninvolved parked car and to the rear passenger side of the victim's vehicle, where [REDACTED] is cowering. **Simpson** gets within approximately half of a car length away from **Pennington** and having no obstructions in the way, he discharges his rifle repeatedly directly at [REDACTED] until she falls to the ground, motionless.

Simpson then runs and gets into the front passenger seat of the Malibu. He reaches to close the door then gets back out and, with the rifle still pointed at the victim's vehicle, runs over and climbs into the victim's car through the rear driver side. He is observed throwing a can of Sprite out onto the ground, before grabbing a

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firearm from inside the vehicle. He then runs back to the front passenger seat of the Malibu and it flees the scene southbound on Blue Hills Rd.

Both [REDACTED], **Ater** and the decedent from KC24089623 on 12/05/2024 are all known to law enforcement due to their self-admitted allegiance to the same group associated with ongoing criminal activity in the Kansas City metropolitan area. The group's members and their individual associations have been documented at length over the course of the past several years.

Upon reviewing the video surveillance of the shooting, the female suspect dressed in black was immediately identified as **Ater** by members of the covert unit responsible for the ongoing monitoring, intelligence gathering and investigation of the aforementioned group. **Ater** was later arrested and charged in connection with this case.

The male shooter was not immediately recognizable to law enforcement members therefore, I began reviewing more video surveillance from the apartment complex and ran a search of calls for police service at [REDACTED]

The most recent call for service was dated 12/04/2024 (KC24089331) and was a domestic violence disturbance at [REDACTED]. Cross referencing the calling party against the lessee roster, I found her to be the female party listed on the lease for the same apartment [REDACTED]. I then found her to have been the same calling party for an additional eight (8) calls for service at the same address since July 2024. In all of the calls for service, she provides the disturbing party's information to be her boyfriend, **Simpson**, and provides his full name and detailed description of his appearance.

On 12/04/2024, [REDACTED] called her grandmother as **Simpson** was causing a disturbance and told her to call 911 for her. PD received the call at 1200 hours of the reported disturbance between [REDACTED] and **Simpson**. When Officers contacted [REDACTED], she stated **Simpson** left the location likely out the back, and described him as wearing a blue "Moncler" puffer jacket, black pants, white and red "Jordan 3s" and a black ski masks on his head.

In reviewing video surveillance from the apartment complex from 12/04/2024, I observed a male party matching the aforementioned description of **Simpson** leaving building [REDACTED] through the rear entrance at 1157 hours. **Simpson** was wearing white Nike Air Jordan 3 with red accent, tight black pants, a blue puffer jacket a black ski mask pulled up on the top of his head, leaving his face exposed.

It should be noted that throughout my review of surveillance video from the apartment complex between the date of the murder and 12/04/2024, I observed **Simpson** to be wearing the same Nike Jordan 3 shoes and tight black pants. I also saw him frequently ride in [REDACTED] vehicle as well as another vehicle registered to his sister. While at times **Simpson** wears a black ski mask over his face, he can be observed either earlier or later the same day wearing the same outfit and exposing his face.

On 08/27/2024, **Simpson** and [REDACTED] were involved in a domestic violence disturbance (KC24065899) and law enforcement contacted both parties. The interaction was captured on the officers' dash camera and photographs of **Simpson** were also taken at the time.

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Based on the totality of the evidence, mainly the review of multiple days of video surveillance revealing the identities of multiple parties, vehicles and their respective registrations and associations between parties involved as well as **Simpson's** appearance over the course of multiple days and photographs of his face taken by law enforcement, I believe the male suspect to be **Simpson**.

Printed Name Detective Ilinca Rusnac #5741 Signature Det. Ilinca Rusnac #5741

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

Judge

Circuit Court of _____ County, State of Missouri.