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

Police# 15-065065

Prosecutor# 095429295

1616-CR 00236

OCN#

## **COMPLAINT**

STATE OF MISSOURI

vs.

Juron D. Morris 5609 Eastern Ave. Kansas City, MO 64129 DOB: 10/17/1984; Race/Sex: B/M;

SS# Race/Sex: D/W

Defendant.

### Count I. Involuntary Manslaughter 1st Degree (565.024-001Y19840999.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.024, RSMo, committed the Class C Felony of Involuntary Manslaughter in the First Degree, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 560.011, RSMo, in that on or about September 12, 2015, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant recklessly caused the death of Chevis Burch by crashing the motor vehicle the defendant was driving while Chevis Burch was a passenger in that motor vehicle.

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 two (2) years and not to exceed seven (7) 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 five thousand dollars (\$5,000); 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 up to a maximum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

### Count II. Assault 2nd Degree (565.060-001Y19841399.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.060, RSMo, committed the Class C Felony of Assault in the Second Degree, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 560.011, RSMo, in that on or about September 12, 2015, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant recklessly caused serious physical injury to Tevin Grimmett by crashing the motor vehicle the defendant was driving while Tevin Grimmett was a passenger in that motor vehicle.

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 two (2) years and not to exceed seven (7) 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 five thousand dollars (\$5,000); 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 up to a maximum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

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### Count III. Assault 2nd Degree (565.060-001Y19841399.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.060, RSMo, committed the Class C Felony of Assault in the Second Degree, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.011 and 560.011, RSMo, in that on or about September 12, 2015, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant recklessly caused serious physical injury to Lakaila Grimmett by crashing the motor vehicle the defendant was driving while Lakaila Grimmett was a passenger in that motor vehicle.

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 two (2) years and not to exceed seven (7) 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 five thousand dollars (\$5,000); 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 up to a maximum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

### Count IV. Driving While Revoked/suspended - 1st Offense (302.321-003Y20115499.0)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 302.321, RSMo, committed the **Unclassified Misdemeanor of Driving While license was Suspended**, punishable upon conviction under Sections 302.321, RSMo, in that on or about September 12, 2015, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant operated a motor vehicle on a highway, E. 59th St. & US Highway 71, during a time when the defendant's operator's license was suspended under the laws of this state, and acted with criminal negligence with respect to knowledge of the fact that the defendant's operator's license was suspended.

The range of punishment for this unclassified misdemeanor is a fine not to exceed three hundred dollars.

The facts that form the basis for this information and belief are contained in the attached statement(s) of facts, 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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WITNESSES:

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Date: 01/19/2016		CRN: <b>15-065065</b>	യ	20
I, Det. Kurtis Anderson #5019			ACK	16 JA
(Name and identify law enforcement officer, or person havi	ing information as probable cause.)		00	Z
knowing that false statements on this form	are punishable by law, sta	te that the facts contained herein	are true?	25
I have probable cause to believe that on	<b>09/12/2015</b> , at	E. 59 <sup>th</sup> St. and US 71 Hwy.	CO.	<u> </u>
In Kansas City <b>Jackson</b> Missouri	JURON D. MORRIS	(Address) <b>B/M 10/17/1984</b>	OW.	¥
(County)	(Name of Offender(s)	(Description of Iden	ity) 芸 🗮	**
committed one or more criminal offense(s)	•		02	<b>1</b>

MANSLAUGHTER/DWS/CARELESS DRIVING
The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 09/12/2015, at approximately 0256 hours, Kansas City, Missouri Police Officers were dispatched to 59<sup>th</sup> St. and US 71 Hwy., Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri on an injury accident. Upon arrival, the officers observed a tan Chevrolet Trailblazer, bearing Missouri license plate, CL9G5U, had left the roadway and rolled over. All occupants of the Chevrolet had been ejected. The defendant and driver (**JURON D. MORRIS, B/M, 10/17/1984**) was transported to an area hospital with life threatening injuries. Two passengers (Tevin D. Grimmett, B/M, 11/25/1994) and (Lakaila L. Grimmett, B/F, 09/11/1992) were transported to area hospitals with serious injuries. The rear cargo compartment passenger (Chevis D. Burch, B/M, 02/11/1984) was transported to an area hospital where he was later pronounced dead. Two other passengers (JC Fletcher, B/M, 03/30/1993) and (James E. Martin Jr., B/M, 01/23/1983) fled the scene.

The front passenger of the Chevrolet, JC Fletcher, stated he was riding in the front passenger seat of the vehicle with Juron Morris driving. They were coming home from Westport after celebrating Brittany's birthday. Chevis told Juron to slow down and Juron started talking about loving them all, but he loves himself more. Juron turned up the music and sped up. Juron lost control, the car was shifting side to side and the car started flipping. He described the speed of the vehicle as topped out. He stated Juron was high on Cocaine and Weed, and he was "pissy" drunk. After the crash, James Martin picked him up off of the ground and a car pulled up. He and James got in the car and left.

The middle rear passenger of the Chevrolet, Lakaila L. Grimmett, stated the night started off at her birthday gathering at 67th and College. Juron pulled up in the Trailblazer at approximately 1700-1800 hours. Everyone hung out for a while because she did not want to go anywhere. Eventually, they all got in the vehicle and went to Westport. She stayed with the vehicle while some of them went into a club for a while. They left Westport in the Trailblazer and she described the seating positions as Juron Morris driving, JC Fletcher was in the front passenger seat, Tevin Grimmett was in the rear driver seat, James Martin was in the rear passenger seat, she was in the rear middle, and Chevis Burch was in the rear cargo area on top of the car seat. Juron was driving crazy and Chevis told him to slow down. Juron told everyone that he was not going to hurt himself and kept driving fast. She knew everyone had smoked weed and was drinking. While driving south on 71 Hwy., Juron was approaching another vehicle at speeds between 80 and 100 mph. He swerved around the other vehicle and lost control of the Trailblazer. They hit a curb and the car flipped. Everyone was ejected from the vehicle and she remembered waking up on the ground.

Independent witnesses (Vernon County Ambulance District personnel) reported they were traveling southbound on US 71 Hwy. in the right lane. A small dark car flew past their ambulance on the left and then moved in front of their ambulance. The Chevrolet then flew past both them and the dark car and moved in front of the dark car. The Chevrolet then hit its brakes and swerved into the right lane due to traffic stopped for the light. The Chevrolet lost control and left the roadway. At least four occupants were ejected. The small dark car returned to the wreckage and left prior to authorities arriving.

A Kansas City, Missouri Police Detective advised the defendant of his Miranda Rights. The defendant stated he did not remember anything regarding the incident. A computer check revealed the defendant to have a Suspended operator's license through Missouri Department of Revenue.



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Accident Investigation Section Officers responded and conducted an investigation of the collision. The officer determined the defendant was traveling southbound on US 71 Hwy. at a high rate of speed. The defendant slid sideways, travelled off the roadway to the left, and struck a tree.

The defendant has 4 convictions for Driving While Revoked/ Suspended/ Denied and 3 convictions for No License.

Printed Name Det. Kurtis Anderson #5019

Signature Det. Kurtis Anderson #5019

The Court finds probable cause and directs the issuance of a warrant this 25th day of 2016.

Judge

Circuit Court of \_\_\_\_\_\_ County, State of Missouri.