

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

Police# 16-008005
Prosecutor# 095435373
1616-CR
OCN# ca007507

COMPLAINT

STATE OF MISSOURI

vs.

**Lawrence E. Barr 2nd
807 NE Magellan Ave. Unit A
Lees Summit, MO 64086
DOB: 01/06/1992; Race/Sex: B/M;
SS# [REDACTED]
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 October 5, 2016, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant recklessly caused the death of Aaron Elmore by shooting him.

Count II. Armed Criminal Action (571.015-001Y19755299.0)

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 571.015.1, RSMo, in that on or about October 5, 2016, in the county of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant committed the felony of Involuntary Manslaughter in the First Degree charged in Count 1, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, and the defendant committed the foregoing felony of Involuntary Manslaughter in the First Degree by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a deadly weapon.

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.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

LSPD Complaint: 16-8005

Date: October 6, 2016

I, Detective Michael Reese, an investigator with the Lee's Summit, Missouri Department of Police, upon my oath, and under penalties of perjury, state as follows:

1. I have probable cause to believe that on 10/05/2016, at 807 NE Magellan Ave, Unit A, Lee's Summit, Jackson County Missouri, Lawrence E. Barr 2nd, B/M, 01/06/1992, [REDACTED] committed one or more criminal offenses.
2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 10/05/2016, Lawrence Barr, after waking up, walked to the mailbox with his .45 caliber handgun inside his waistband. Upon returning inside the residence, he removed his handgun just outside the doorway of the bathroom where his older brother, Aaron Elmore and Elmore's 2 year old son were brushing their teeth. Barr pulled the trigger of his handgun and shot Elmore in the rear of his head resulting in his death. Barr made no attempt to render aid and exited the residence. He left the area in his 2000 Cadillac Deville and returned to the area after disposing his handgun. This incident occurred in Lee's Summit, Jackson County, MO.

Detective Dibben conducted an interview with Rhonda Williams, the mother of both Barr and Elmore who stated she woke-up this morning around 0815 hours. She went to the restroom and washed up, then had a conference call at 0830 hours. She woke-up Elmore who went to the restroom and called her grandson to him to brush his teeth. Williams went to the bathroom and briefly spoke to Elmore. She stepped back into her bedroom to turn off the light and heard a single "pop." Williams came back out and saw her grandson screaming and running out of the bathroom. She observed Elmore slumping down toward the floor with blood coming out of his ear and a hole in the back of his head. Williams looked at Barr, who was pacing in his bedroom, and asked him "what did you do?" She said Barr responded that it was an accident.

Detective Reese conducted an interview with Lawrence Barr who admitted to "accidentally" shooting his brother while he was in the bathroom. Barr stated upon waking up, he walked to the mailbox with his handgun in his waistband. Barr said when he returned back inside, pulled his gun out, and began playing with it. Barr stated he was just outside the bathroom doorway where his brother was standing and he pulled the trigger. Barr said he didn't realize there was a round in the chamber and the gun fired a single shot and struck his brother. Barr stated he left the residence and threw his gun out the window of his vehicle as he was traveling down the highway. Barr was not able to provide a specific location where he threw the gun out the window, nor would he advise the brand of the gun.

Det. Michael Reese #0727

Print Name (Detective)

Det. M. Reese 0727

Signature (Detective)

THE COURT FINDS PROBABLE CAUSE.

DATE

JUDGE