

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: 9/19/2016

Report #: 2016-71698

I, E. Knox, a Detective with the Independence, Missouri, Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

1. I have probable cause to believe that on 9/19/2016, at 1440 Hours, Tymon Derrick Reed, (Race- BLACK, Sex- MALE, DOB- 06-19-96, Address-421 Porter Ridge Road, Kearney, Missouri, SSN- [REDACTED] committed one or more criminal offenses in Jackson County, Missouri.

2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 09-19-16 at 1440 hours, Officer Hankins and Officer Parris were dispatched to the area of Truman Road and Home Avenue in reference to a report of gunshots fired in the area. Dispatch informed them they received reports of juveniles running in the area after the gunshots were heard.

Officer Hankins said upon his arrival he was directed to the driveway of 1106 S. Home Avenue. Officer Gilbertson was in the driveway with the victim, J. R. (10-14-99). Officer Hankins observed Michael Wells and Leanna Kryzck performing CPR on the victim. Officer Hankins noted the victim did not appear responsive. He observed the victim to have what appeared to be a gunshot wound to his upper right chest. Officer Hankins observed two male juveniles, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and an adult female, [REDACTED], standing in the driveway and they advised they were involved in the situation.

Detective Knox and Detective Breshears interviewed [REDACTED] at police headquarters. She said she got out of school around 1423 hours and she hung around for a little bit. She said she then walked with [REDACTED], the victim, [REDACTED] (brown dress) and [REDACTED], down Truman road. She said they crossed the bridge and came across the Defendant and another guy. She said these two guys had some issues with an [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that the victim was friends with. She said they thought they guys were supposed to meet up with [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]. She said before they could cross the street there was bench and the two guys were sitting on it. She said the Defendant approached them and kept saying "what's up". She said they tried to avoid confrontation with them so they tried turning and walking away. She said the guys followed them and the Defendant tried to fight the victim. She said the Defendant kept saying to the victim to fight him and to keep walking. She said the Defendant kept pushing the victim and the victim refused to walk. She put her hand under her shirt as if she was acting out the Defendant reaching for a gun. She said the Defendant kept backing the victim up on Home Avenue. She said the Defendant pulled the gun, put it to his side and asked the victim "you not gonna do what". She said the Defendant then pointed the gun at the victim's foot and told him to keep walking.

[REDACTED] said as the Defendant was backing the victim up the other guy was standing there. She stated [REDACTED] and all of them started walking toward the victim. She said the Defendant told [REDACTED] to "back up little bitch". At that point, the victim tried to wrestle the gun out of the Defendant's hand. She said the Defendant shot and she could hear the victim yelling "ahh, ahh". [REDACTED] said everyone scattered and she observed the victim limping and running at the same time. She said the Defendant kept shooting and the victim must have been hit in his back or side because he dropped right there. She said the victim was running away when the Defendant was still shooting.

█████ identified the Defendant as wearing a white and blue striped POLO shirt with a large red POLO logo, designer jeans, white Nike Air Force One shoes and said his hair had twisties or pony tails on top and the back of his hair was cut low. █████ also provided Detective Knox with her cell phone which contained two videos she recorded during the incident. The videos contained the Defendant and the victim.

Witness █████ did not know who the Defendant or other black male were either. He said just prior to the shooting the victim tried to fend off the Defendant. He said the victim pushed the Defendant and tried to pick him up and throw him so they could escape. When he heard two or three gunshots fired after the initial gunshot he took off running for safety.

Detective Breshears interviewed █████ at police headquarters. █████ said he was in the area of Truman Rd and Home Ave earlier in the day after school and witnessed the confrontation between the victim and other subjects that ultimately led to the shooting and murder of the victim.

█████ said he recognized the suspect that ultimately shot the victim as an acquaintance from the YMCA in North Kansas City. █████ said he used to play basketball there with the subject and knew him as "Derrick". He said he had known him for around a year. He said he communicated with "Derrick" using only the Snap Chat social network. █████ said Derrick's snap chat handle was "treed095".

A Google search of "treed095" revealed it associated to a subject named Tymon D. Reed. Detective Breshears used a computer based investigative tool to search for Tymon D. Reed in the state of Missouri. There was only one result and it was for Tymon Derrick Reed, DOB 6/19/96, SSN ████████2. Detective Breshears then searched the REJIS computer system for the same Tymon Derrick Reed, found the subject and contacted the MSHP to create a photo array that contained Tymon Derrick Reed. Detective Breshears showed the photo array to █████ and he immediately selected photograph number five, which was Tymon Derrick Reed, and said he was the subject he knew from YMCA and Snap chat and he was the subject who had a gun and was confronting and shot the victim earlier in the day.

█████ said he had heard from another student, █████ █████, on an earlier date that Mr. █████ and another unknown subject he called "Strings" were going to rob some weed off a guy. █████ said he later found out the person they robbed was the Defendant. He said he knew this because the Defendant had told him, via Snap chat that he was looking for █████ █████ and another male because they had robbed him. █████ said around 1100 hours on 9/19/16 he received an inquiry from the Defendant on Snap chat asking if █████ █████ was at school. █████ said █████ was not at school and he told the Defendant the same and did not hear from him again.

█████ said after school he was around the BP gas station at 9935 E Truman Rd when he saw his friends, the victim, █████ and █████ walking across the street. He said the victim was already being approached by the Defendant as he walked to join them. █████ said he thought the victim and the Defendant were going to fight but that the victim did not want to fight and was backing away from the Defendant. █████ said as they continued to argue the Defendant backed the victim further north up Home Ave. █████ said he heard the Defendant say to the victim, "Where's my shit at?" He said the Defendant then pulled a gun and pointed it at the victim who grabbed the gun in an attempt to take it away. █████ said that only lasted one or two seconds and that the victim then turned to get away from the Defendant, who shot him as he was leaving. He said the victim fell down and then got up to continue moving away and the Defendant shot him again. He said the victim fell again, got up and the Defendant shot him again.

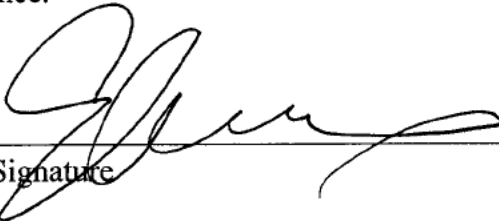
Detective Roach interviewed a juvenile witness, [REDACTED]. She said she had seen the Defendant a few weeks prior when the Defendant confronted the victim in regard to the victim's friend [REDACTED] stealing from the Defendant. [REDACTED] stated the victim told the Defendant that he did not know where Owen was located and it was not his business. [REDACTED] stated on 09-19-16, the Defendant and the other black male were waiting for the victim at Truman Road and Home Avenue as they were walking home from school. [REDACTED] said the Defendant stated to the victim "where is your boy" and the victim told the Defendant that he did not know. [REDACTED] stated the victim and Defendant began to exchange words and the victim told the Defendant they could fight right there. [REDACTED] stated it was at that point the Defendant pulled a gun out of his waistband and pointed it at the victim. [REDACTED] stated the victim grabbed the gun and tried to wrestle it away from the Defendant. She then heard several gunshots. Detective Roach asked [REDACTED] if she was able to identify the Defendant and she then provided a cell phone video which showed the Defendant pulling the gun out of his waistband, chambering a round and pointing the gun at the victim. [REDACTED] was later shown a photo lineup and she selected photo number 5, which was the Defendant, Tymon D. Reed.

On 09/20/2016, Detective Brady responded to the Jackson County Medical Examiner's office, for the body exam of the victim. The exam was conducted by Dr. Marius C Tarau and it began at 0846 hours. Detective Brady noted the following injuries to the deceased:

- A round defect on the right side of his chest below the right nipple
- Two round defects in his lower abdomen
- One defect on right hip thigh region
- One oval defect in the left back shoulder region
- Once round defect in the left lower back region
- One round defect in the right upper buttocks
- Two round defects in the right buttocks region
- Two defects in the right middle finger near the knuckle nearest the finger tip
- An abrasion on the right back of the shoulder
- An abrasion of the back side of the right elbow region
- An abrasion on the front of the right knee.

Detective E. Knox 1248

Print Name



Signature

THE COURT FINDS PROBABLE CAUSE:

Date

Judge