

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

**1616-CR00060-01
Police# 16-000099
Prosecutor# 095428928**

AMENDED INFORMATION

STATE OF MISSOURI

vs.

**Darryl M Schaeffel
Homeless**

**,
DOB: 07/02/1991; Race/Sex: W/M;
SS# [REDACTED]
Defendant.**

**In the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri, at Independence , Term, 2018. In
Division Number 17 thereof, designated by the rules of said Court as a Criminal Division.**

Count I. Murder 2nd Degree (565.021-001Y198409040)

The Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, upon information and belief, charges that the defendant, in violation of Section 565.021, RSMo, committed the class A felony of murder in the second degree, punishable upon conviction under Section 558.011, RSMo, in that on or about on or about January 1, 2016, in the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant knowingly or with the purpose of causing serious physical injury to Charles D Younger caused the death of Charles D Younger by shooting him.

An individual convicted and sentenced for this offense shall not be eligible for parole until eighty-five percent of the sentence is served.

The range of punishment for a class A felony is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than ten (10) years and not to exceed thirty (30) years, or life imprisonment.

Count II. Armed Criminal Action (571.015-001Y197552990)

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 January 1, 2006, in the county of Jackson, State of Missouri, the defendant committed the felony of Murder in the Second Degree charged in Count I, all allegations of which are incorporated herein by reference, and the defendant committed the foregoing felony of Murder in the Second degree by, with and through, the knowing use, assistance and aid of a deadly weapon.

The range of punishment for the offense of Armed Criminal Action in violation of section 571.015 RSMo. is imprisonment in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections for a term of years not less than three (3) years without eligibility for parole, probation, conditional release or suspended imposition or execution of sentence for a period of three (3) calendar years.

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PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: 1/7/2016

Report #: 2016-00099

I, Detective Christopher Burris, 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 either 12/31/2015 or 01/01/2016, at sometime between 2330 and 1105 hours, Darryl M. Schaeffel, (Race- White, Sex- Male, DOB- 07/02/1991, Address-HOMELESS, SSN- [REDACTED]) committed one or more criminal offenses in Jackson County, Missouri.

2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows:

On 01/01/2016 at approximately 1105 hours, Independence Police Officers responded to 15101 E. Truman Road in reference to a suspicious medical call. The investigation revealed a person, later identified as Charles Younger, inside the residence deceased. The Jackson County Medical Examiner's office subsequently concluded the victim's death was a homicide. The victim died as the result of apparent gunshot and stab wounds. Three .380 caliber spent shell casings were found in close proximity to the subject, along with a spent round of unknown caliber ammunition at this time. All items of evidence were recovered pursuant to a search warrant obtained from the residence.

Chad McFarland and Roy Gillespie located the victim at the residence and McFarland called 9-1-1. Both McFarland and Gillespie were interviewed. Both identified Darryl Schaeffel as a person of interest. Apparently Schaeffel had been residing with Younger along with his girlfriend Breanna Marriott. Younger and Schaeffel were feuding because Younger thought Schaeffel was stealing from him and Schaeffel had made threats against Younger. Clarence Hendley and Ashley Johnson showed up at the scene. Both responded to Police Headquarters to be voluntarily interviewed. According to Hendley and Johnson, they went to Younger's on 01/01/2016 at about 0130 - 0200 hours. They knocked on the door and no one answered and could not get anyone to open the door and then left. Hendley stated that he heard Younger was deceased. Hendley stated that if something happened to him that Darryl was the type of person to harm someone. Hendley thought Darryl's last name was Fullbright and he and his girlfriend lived somewhere east of Sedalia on 50 Hwy. Hendley also stated that he thought that Darryl drove a late 80's or early 90's Chevy truck that was maroon in color and having a ladder rack on it. Detectives then located and interviewed Christopher Williams and Amber King. Williams acknowledged that he knew the Darryl and "Breanna or Bre" but did not know their last names. Williams provided physical descriptions of the two. King stated that both Darryl and Breanna stayed at Younger's residence within the past week. King heard that Younger had to kick Darryl and Breanna out of his residence because they were stealing from him. King thought Darryl and Breanna lived near Sedalia, Missouri. King advised that Darryl drove an older model Ford truck with a ladder rack.

During a neighborhood canvass, Brandi Lutjen at 15023 E. Truman Road woke up after hearing what sounded like a loud truck pull up between her residence and the victim's. Lutjen's bedroom window was parallel to the victim's driveway. Lutjen heard what she thought was a male and female saying something to the effect of 'let's get the hell out of here'. Lutjen believed that took place sometime between 0200 - 0400 hours.

Detectives interviewed Buddy Mayfield and Truya Mendell. Both were identified as associates of the victim. T. Mendell stated that she has known Younger for 19 years. T. Mendell stated that she learned of Younger's death on 01/01/2016 when Gillespie called and told her boyfriend, Mayfield. T. Mendell advised before Christmas, her brother, Aragon Mendell AKA "Bubba" sold Younger an apparent stolen antique rifle. T. Mendell advised A. Mendell was never fully paid and that upset him. T. Mendell indicated that she suspected A. Mendell of being involved in Younger's homicide and believed he was capable of harming the victim. T. Mendell then described Darryl as a "nut job" and advised he was brainwashed by his mother, Michelle, to believe that Charles was evil. T. Mendell advised Younger and Darryl's mother, Michelle knew each other for a long time. T. Mendell was asked if she thought that A. Mendell killed Younger and she stated that she did not know if he did or not. T. Mendell further stated that Darryl had been living with Younger for several days around Christmas. T. Mendell stated that if A. Mendell and Darryl were both angry they would feed off each other and would be capable of causing harm to Younger.

On 01/04/2016, Detective John Roach interviewed Barry Duke in reference to this case. Duke advised he was at Younger's residence until approximately 2330 hours on 12/31/2015. Duke advised at the time when he left Younger's he was the only one that was there and Younger was not having any problems.

Detectives interviewed A. Mendell and his girlfriend, Alicia Rogers on 01/04/2015 after they came to Police Headquarters voluntarily. A. Mendell advised he heard the police were looking for him. A. Mendell advised on the night of Younger's murder, he was staying at the America's Best Value Inn. A. Mendell advised he and Rogers were locked out of their room before midnight and stayed in the area because they had nowhere to go. A. Mendell backed-up his alibi by saying he would be on video at businesses in the area because it was cold that night. A. Mendell confirmed he sold Younger an antique rifle. A. Mendell advised Younger told him Darryl stole the rifle. A. Mendell advised he was not upset at Younger, rather that Darryl took the rifle.

Follow-up with Schaeffel's sister and mother, Schaeffel was known to them to have recently acquired an older model truck that is red and black in color. A vehicle fitting the description of the one Schaeffel drives was seen in the area on a neighboring resident's private surveillance video on 01/01/2016 at about 0035 hours. Paul Suddarth at 1042 E. Smith contacted police on 01/05/2016 after he learned of the homicide via media outlets. The surveillance video from his system preserved the video of the truck traveling east on Smith St. then north on Rogers out of sight. Suddarth advised the truck was a late 80's to early 90's Chevrolet full-sized pickup truck. Suddarth described the truck as having a red over black paint scheme, with a ladder rack in the back and a loud exhaust. Suddarth advised the passenger door was all black and the tailgate was silver in color. Suddarth also told Detectives that on or about 12/26/2015 he observed the same truck parked on his street, behind the victim's house. Suddarth informed detectives that he observed a male hopping the fences to and from the victim's residence. Suddarth advised the male appeared to be casing what he later found out to be the victim's house.

On 01/01/2016 at about 0830 hours, Schaeffel and Marriott were seen at the former residence in La Monte, Missouri by an old roommate gathering their things into the same truck and leaving. According to the roommate both were emotionally distraught and told the roommate to tell their baby "goodbye" and it was the last time she would see them. On 01/05/2016, Detective Burris issued stop orders for Schaeffel and Marriott in reference to this case. In attempting to track down the two, detectives learned that on 01/02/2016, Marriott's EBT card was used at a gas station near I-435 and 23rd Street. On 01/04/2016, Marriott's EBT card was used in Bethany, Missouri at the Wal-Mart at about 1515 hours. On 01/05/2016 at about 1404 hours, Marriott's EBT was again used at the Wal-Mart in Bethany, Missouri.

Pursuant to search warrants, call data was obtained for both Marriott and Schaeffel's cellular telephones. Frequent calls from Marriott's phone led detectives to contact Emily Self, Carl Bergin and Bobby Kelly. Kelly was interviewed on 01/07/2016. Kelly advised he went to Emily Self's address on 01/02/2016 to fix Schaeffel's truck. Self advised that on 12/31/2015, she observed Schaeffel with a small silver handgun. Self also advised Darryl wrote a note which was left in the basement where they were staying. The note was brought by Self to Police Headquarters prior to her interview. The note was reviewed and revealed that the author was going through emotional issues. In the note the author writes that they were "gonna start popping melons. cause unlike everybody else it really doesn't faze me to end people." Bergin was interviewed and advised that on 01/01/2016 he received a series of phone calls from Darryl around the suspected time of the homicide, who asked him if he (Bergin) wanted to be picked up. Bergin advised he knew Darryl stole two firearms from Younger recently. Bergin advised he knew one was a rifle, because Darryl showed it to him while he was at Self's residence sometime between Christmas and New Years Eve. Darryl advised Self had seen Darryl with a silver handgun.

On 01/06/16, Breanna Marriott's mother, Yvonne Williams advised that Breanna Marriott and Darryl Schaeffel had left Bethany Missouri and were possibly headed to Breanna's grandmother's residence 26983 Lamont Rd, Edwards, Benton County, Missouri. Benton County Sherriff's Deputy McGovern conducted a drive by of the residence and observed the black and red Chevrolet truck with the ladder rack in the drive way. 01/07/16, Independence Police Career Criminal Detectives and Benton County Sherriff's deputies approached the house and observed Darryl Schaeffel in the driveway behind the truck. Schaeffel was taken into custody. Schaeffel was found to be in possession of a fixed bladed knife, which was in the sheath on his person at the time of his arrest. Breanna Marriott came outside and was taken into custody. The same day Marriott and Schaeffel were taken to Independence Police Department to be interviewed. Marriott was interviewed first. Marriott admitted to Detectives Schmidli and Rosewaren that Schaeffel told her that he shot the victim. Marriott told detectives that Schaeffel told her he'd stolen a semi-automatic pistol from Younger. Marriott advised she fell asleep on 12/31/2015 at about 2000 hours.

Marriott advised that on 01/01/2016 at about 0400 hours, Schaeffel woke her up and told her they needed to leave. Marriott told detectives that she learned of the victim's death two days after the homicide, when Schaeffel told her. Marriott advised that Schaeffel told her that he went over to Younger's residence and smoked marijuana with him prior to shooting him. Marriott also admitted that on 12/26/2015, she and Schaeffel went to the victim's residence so he could do some "recon" for what she described as a robbery. Marriott stated that she thought Schaeffel was just going to steal stuff from the victim's residence.

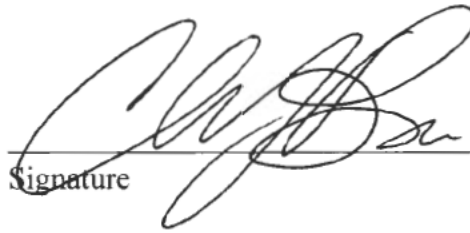
Schaeffel was interviewed following Marriott's interview. Schaeffel admitted that he was over at the victim's house on 12/31/2015 until about 2300 hours. Schaeffel advised he had taken some .380 caliber ammunition to the victim to exchange for marijuana. Schaeffel advised the victim had a silver and black handgun. Schaeffel advised he bought the ammunition for the gun at Sladek Hardware. Subsequent follow-up confirmed that Schaeffel bought the ammunition on 12/23/2015 at about 1318 hours, after reviewing video surveillance and transaction records. Schaeffel admitted to smoking marijuana with Younger and then left his house. Upon questioning Schaeffel about inconsistencies in his statement, he requested an attorney prior to further questioning.

On 01/08/2016, Schaeffel was re-interviewed after he requested to speak with detectives without an attorney. Schaeffel subsequently confessed to shooting and stabbing the victim. Schaeffel advised Younger lunged at him, however he could not say if there was an argument and did not say anything about Younger having any weapons putting him in fear for his safety.

Additional evidence is expected to be processed and forensic tests are expected to support criminal charges against Schaeffel further proving his involvement in this case.

Detective Christopher Burris # 1401

Print Name

 #1401

Signature

THE COURT FINDS PROBABLE CAUSE:

Date

Judge