

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT ANCHORAGE

STATE OF ALASKA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

GEORGE MURFITT, III

DOB: [REDACTED]

APSIN ID: [REDACTED]

DMV NO.: [REDACTED]

ATN: [REDACTED]

Defendant.

No. 3AN-22-00732CR (George Murfitt, III)

**INFORMATION**

I certify this document and its attachments do not contain the (1) name of a victim of a sexual offense listed in AS 12.61.140 or (2) residence or business address or telephone number of a victim of or witness to any offense unless it is an address identifying the place of a crime or an address or telephone number in a transcript of a court proceeding and disclosure of the information was ordered by the court. The following counts charge a crime involving DOMESTIC VIOLENCE as defined in AS 18.66.990: NONE

**Count I - AS 11.41.120(a)(1)**

**Manslaughter**

George Murfitt III - 001

THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY CHARGES:

COUNT I

That in the Third Judicial District, State of Alaska, on or about January 22, 2022, at or near Anchorage, GEORGE MURFITT III recklessly caused the death of Carl McGeary.

All of which is a class A Felony offense being contrary to and in violation of AS 11.41.120(a)(1) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Alaska.

1 The undersigned swears under oath this Information is based upon a review of  
2 police report 22-2697 submitted to date and discussions with Anchorage Police.

3 On 22 January 2022 at approximately 3:20am Anchorage Safety Patrol  
4 responded to a call of an intoxicated individual directly outside the Gaslight Lounge at  
5 721 West 4th Avenue. ASP arrived, observed the man, identified as Carl McGeary, was  
6 sitting upright and breathing, and learned from Gaslight Lounge security that McGeary  
7 had been punched. ASP transported McGeary to Anchorage Safety Center (sleep off).  
8 Once ASP arrived they determined McGeary, while breathing, was not responsive to  
9 stimuli, and needed medical attention. Anchorage Fire Department arrived and  
10 transported McGeary to Providence Alaska Medical Center.

11 An online report was made to Anchorage Police Department by McGeary's  
12 family. Police responded to Providence on 24 January and learned McGeary was brain  
13 dead and would not recover from his injuries. McGeary died 26 January 2022.

14 Detectives obtained surveillance footage from the Gaslight Lounge. The footage  
15 reveals that on 22 January 2022 at approximately 2:50am McGeary exits the Gaslight  
16 Lounge and remains directly outside the front door on 4th Avenue. The footage shows  
17 McGeary and another unknown male laughing and talking followed by the two pushing  
18 each other. Also outside the bar, several feet away, is another group of males. There is no  
19 interaction between McGeary and the other group of males.

20 One of the other males, wearing a jean jacket with a wool collar, black t-shirt,  
21 blue jeans, brown Timberland boots, and a black New York Yankees cap, walks up to  
22 McGeary and punches him in the head. McGeary immediately falls to ground and his  
23 head strikes the pavement violently. The jean jacket male remains in front of the Gaslight  
24 Lounge and, at one point, raises his arms in a victory celebration and dances in a circle.

25 Police interviewed Gaslight Lounge employee Jonathon Williams who advised  
26 detectives of a possible name for a suspect and stated that on 23 January 2022 Anchorage  
27 Police responded to Gaslight Lounge to trespass him. Detectives determined the suspect's  
name was GEORGE MURFITT, a private first class in the United States Army, stationed  
at JBER.

1 Detectives contacted United States Army Criminal Investigation Division,  
2 confirmed GEORGE MURFITT's identity, and secured a search warrant for GEORGE  
3 MURFITT's barracks. On 27 January 2022 Anchorage Police executed the search  
4 warrant, seized the exact clothing GEORGE MURFITT was observed wearing in the  
5 Gaslight Lounge surveillance video, and transported GEORGE MURFITT to Anchorage  
6 Police headquarters for an interview. During the interview GEORGE MURFITT  
7 admitted to being at the Gaslight, admitted to punching the man, and police  
8 remanded GEORGE MURFITT to the Anchorage Correctional Complex.

9 Finally, the investigation revealed that no one from either the Gaslight Lounge or  
10 from the group of witnesses standing outside the bar called 9-1-1 either for police  
11 assistance or medics.

12 **BAIL INFORMATION**

13 Per the Alaska Public Safety Information Network, the defendant has the  
14 following convictions in Alaska:

15 *NONE*

16 Dated at Anchorage, Alaska this 28 January 2022.

17 TREG R. TAYLOR  
18 ATTORNEY GENERAL

19 By: 

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21 Assistant District Attorney  
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